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3:00PM February 26, 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM
 Re. N. G. Salomonster (NO 4400)
 The Attorney General called me with reference to the matter I spoke to him about yesterday afternoon. He stated he was attending a meeting with the President at 3:30PM today and asked for a transcript of the pertinent information. I told the Attorney General I would send this around to him immediately.

Very truly yours,
 Harry
 J. E. H.
 John Edgar Hoover
 Director

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SOURCE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

ON SAME DATE, ACCORDING TO CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE, MELVA LISCHINSKY, WIFE OF SOLOMON LISCHINSKY, CONTACTED MRS. MAGDOFF AND ADVISED THAT SHE AND HER HUSBAND, SOLOMON PLAN TO VISIT CANADA THIS SUMMER. MRS. LISCHINSKY SAID HER HUSBAND IS STILL AWAY AND WILL VISIT IN SAN FRANCISCO, PORTLAND AND SEATTLE. THE MAGDOFFS AND MRS. LISCHINSKY HAVE BEEN INVITED TO A PARTY SATURDAY NEXT AT PEARLS RESIDENCE. PEARL BELIEVED TO BE SISTER OF SOLOMON LISCHINSKY.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT ON FEB. TWENTYFIVE BERNARD BERNSTEIN CONTACTED WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMANN AND ASKED ULLMANN IF HE WERE GOING TO HOLD OPEN MEETING TO PRODUCE HIS REPORT PROBABLY REFERRING TO HIS RECENT TRIP TO GERMANY. ULLMANN SAID HE DID ENOUGH TO REPORT ON TO THAT. BERNSTEIN AND ULLMANN AGREED TO HAVE LUNCHEON TOGETHER

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 PHOTOGRAPH OF DERJAVINA DEFINITELY IDENTIFIED BY AGENTS THIS OFFICE AS
 INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS SURVEILLED FROM NEW YORK TO WASHINGTON NIGHT OF
 FEBRUARY TWENTYSIX. PHOTOGRAPH BEING FORWARDED NEW YORK
 TODAY. ON FEBRUARY TWENTYFIVE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ONE OSCAR
 CONTACTED KAPLAN FROM EDGEWOOD ARSENAL, AND ARRANGED DINNER DATE HANMELS
 RESTAURANT FOLLOWING NIGHT SURVEILLANCE DISCLOSED INDIVIDUAL
 TO BE MAJOR OSCAR BODANSKY, MEDICAL CORPS, USA, WHO DINED WITH KAPLAN
 AND WIFE AND THEREAFTER SPENT NIGHT KAPLAN HOME. WHILE AT KAPLANS
 CONTACTED DAUGHTER, MARJORIE, IN NEW YORK, PHONE WA NINE ONE THREE FOUR
 THREE, ADVISING HE WAS SPENDING NIGHT WITH KAPLANS ON FEBRUARY TWENTY-
 SEVEN, BODANSKY DROVE DOWN [REDACTED] TOWN WITH KAPLAN, THEN TOOK TAXI
 CAB TO DUMBARTON OAKS ENTERING OFFICE SECTION [REDACTED] RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT,
 EXECUTING REGISTER TO SEE DR. WALTER KIRNER OFFICE OF SCIENTIFIC
 RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT. THEREAFTER PROCEEDED TO UNION STATION AND TOOK
 TRAIN TO BALTIMORE WHERE HE ALIGHTED AND PROCEEDED TO PARKED AT [REDACTED]

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DISCONTINUED THIS POINT. NEW YORK REQUESTED IDENTIFY REGISTRANT ABOVE AUTO LICENSE AND TELEPHONE NUMBER AND FURNISH AVAILABLE BACKGROUND DATA MAJOR BODANSKY. [ON FEBRUARY TWENTYFIVE MRS. BEATTIE MAGDOFF ENDEAVORED CONTACT SUBJECT GEORGE PERAZICH, YUGOSLAV DIVISION, UNRRA. THEREAFTER SHE ENDEAVORED TO CONTACT HILDEGARDE KNEELAND. A FEW MINUTES LATER, IN CONVERSATION WITH JANE STONE, BEATTIE MENTIONED HILDEGARDE KNEELAND IS SICK. IT IS RECALLED THAT WHEN ALICE BARROWS VISITED WASHINGTON ABOUT JANUARY SIXTEENTH, SHE INDICATED SHE WAS STAYING WITH HILDEGARDE KNEELAND WHO IS EMPLOYED IN BUREAU OF BUDGET EXECUTIVE OFFICE. ON SAME DATE, ONE CHES, PHONETIC, POSSIBLY IRVING CHESKIN, ADVISED HARRY MAGDOFF THAT THEY ARE TRYING TO SET UP SOME KIND OF ORGANIZATION IN OFFICE OF WILSON WYATT, HOUSING EXPEDITER, AND ARE SETTING UP SOME DIVISION JOBS EQUIVALENT P EIGHT, ABOUT CAF FIFTEEN; AND WONDERED HOW HARRY FELT ABOUT IT. MAGDOFF INDICATED HE MIGHT BE INTERESTED AND CHES ASKED IF HE WOULD LIKE TO TALK WITH NORT LONG. CHES STATED LONG WILL PROBABLY BE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR PROGRAMING AND PLANNING, IN HIS OPINION KEY SPOT FOR WHOLE OPERATION. HE SAID STATISTICAL AND PROGRESS REPORTING WOULD BE MORE OR LESS THE CONTROL AND

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REALLY RUN THE WORKS. REQUIREMENTS WOULD BE TO SPELL OUT MATERIALS, MANPOWER AND THAT SORT OF THING. HARRY INDICATED HE WOULD NOT PREFER TO CALL NORT LONG, AND CHES SAID HE WOULD HAVE LONG CONTACT MAGDOFF. CHES THEN INQUIRED IF HARRY THOUGHT KAPPY WOULD BE INTERESTED AND HARRY THOUGHT HE MIGHT. WHEN CHES INDICATED HE WOULD ~~RECALL~~ SPEAK TO KAPPY, HARRY THOUGHT THE APPROACH SHOULD COME FROM LONG. ON FEBRUARY TWENTY-SIX, SUBJECT ROBERT MILLER CONTACTED HIS WIFE REQUESTING HER TO CALL OLD MAN KULISHY, PHONETIC, AND ADVISE HIM ~~THAT~~ NOTHING DEVELOPED ON THAT MATTER AND KINDLEBERGER INDICATED NOTHING DOING. MRS. MILLER THEREAFTER CONTACTED KULISHY AND DELIVERED THE MESSAGE. SHE INQUIRED WHOM HE CALLED AND HE ADVISED BECKNER, PHONETIC. MRS. MILLER SAID EVEN BECKNER WILL NOT BE THERE LONG, ACCORDING TO BOB MILLER, KULISHY ADVISED HE WOULD SEE WARREN TODAY. HE SAID WARREN INDICATED HE SAW RUBIN, CHIEF OF ALL THIS, AND ~~RECALL~~ RUBIN WOULD SEE WHAT COULD BE DONE. IT IS RECALLED MILLER HAS FURNISHED ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE ON OCCASIONS IN PAST, ENDEAVORING PLACE KULISHY IN STATE DEPARTMENT IN SOME UNIT DEALING WITH POLISH RELIEF MATTERS. ON FEBRUARY TWENTYSIX, HARRY WHITE WAS ADVISED BY ~~RECALL~~ ANNE WHITE THAT THEY HAD INVITATION TO WEDDING OF DAUGHTER OF ~~RECALL~~ DREW PEARSON BUT THAT HE, WHITE, PROBABLY WOULD BE IN SAVANNAH THAT TIME. ~~RECALL~~ IN ~~RECALL~~ RESPONSE NEW YORK REQUEST, DESCRIPTION HELEN TENNEY FURNISHED AS FOLLOWS. AGE THIRTYFIVE, HEIGHT FIVE FEET FOUR INCHES, ~~RECALL~~ WEIGHT ONE THIRTYFIVE,

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New York, New York
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Director, FBI

Re: ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, was. REAL ESTATE BROKER

Dear Sir:

The services of Confidential Informant NY 100 have been used in connection with the investigation of ABRAHAM BROTHMAN, a subject in this case and president of the A. S. A. LABORATORY, 8503 57th Avenue, Bhamarst, Long Island, New York, telephone New-ton 9-5022.

Through this Informant the activities, the whereabouts, and the contacts that BROTHMAN has made during the past month have been ascertained. The Informant has also assisted in submitting information of pertinent value in the investigation of the above captioned case.

Therefore, it is believed that the services of this Informant should be continued.

Very truly yours,
[Signature]

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March 12, 1946

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RE: **NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER,**
with aliases, et al
ESPIONAGE - R

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Newark teletypes of February 28 and March 4, 1946 setting forth information to the effect that one Dr. ABRAHAM WOLFSON was expected to arrive in Chicago on March 2, 1946 via United Airlines and to depart Chicago at 8:05 P.M. on March 5, 1946 via United Airlines. The teletype indicated that WOLFSON's trip to Chicago was apparently for the purpose of getting married.

Agents of the Chicago Field Division ascertained on March 2, 1946 that United Airline flight #211 departing New York at 5 P.M. on that date had been cancelled and Dr. WOLFSON's ticket had also been cancelled. On March 5, 1946 Agents ascertained that Dr. WOLFSON did not depart on flight #8 of United Airlines, Chicago, at 8:05 P.M. inasmuch as the flight had been cancelled, and that he did not depart on a previous flight of Pennsylvania Central Airlines.

A check of the Cook County Bureau of Vital Statistics to ascertain whether or not Dr. WOLFSON had been issued a marriage license certificate during the past thirty days was made with negative results.

Stops have been placed with United, American, and Pennsylvania Central Airlines for any information relative to Dr. WOLFSON's future contact with those airlines.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD
FROM : J. K. MUMFORD
SUBJECT: GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al;
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DATE: March 12, 1946

9:25 AM

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
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- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
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- Mr. Tracy
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- Mr. Harbo
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Special Agent J. J. Ryan of the New York Office called and advised that informant Gregory is proceeding to Washington today at 4:30 PM on the Congressional Limited and she has suggested that while in Washington she may be able to assist the Bureau. She plans to contact the Silvermasters tonight and tell them she is unable to locate a room and she may possibly be able to move in with them. In that way she may be able to obtain additional information. Mr. Ryan stated they feel that Agent Lanman of the New York Office, who has been contacting her there, should also proceed to Washington and arrangements should be made so that the informant can keep in touch with him through the Washington Field Office.

I advised Mr. Ryan to get in touch with the Washington Field Office this afternoon and advise them of this.

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New York, N. Y.

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November 13, 1945

Director, FBI

Re: ELIZABETH TERRELL BENTLEY,
with aliases, et al;
ESPIONAGE - R

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed a photostatic copy of the signed statement of ELIZABETH TERRELL BENTLEY dated November 8, 1945. The original of this statement is being retained as an exhibit in the New York file of this case.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy

E. E. CONROY,
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New York, N. Y.
November 8, 1945

I, Elizabeth Bentley, make the following free and voluntary statement to Special Agent Edward W. Buckley who has identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Also present are Special Agents Francis X. Plante and Donald Jardine. I have been advised that I do not have to make any statement and that whatever I have to say is made of my own free will, and I have been informed that whatever I say may be used against me in a court of law. No threats or promises of any kind have been made to me in order for me to give the following statement.

I was born in ^{NEW} Milford, Connecticut January 1, 1908. My family is native born. They are descendants going back to the year 1620. We moved around a great deal due to the fact that grandfather was a minister. We lived in Milford, Ithaca, New York and finally ended up in Rochester, New York. From there I went to Vassar College and graduated in 1930 with an AB degree. The next two years I taught at Foxcroft School in Virginia. The next year I came to New York and studied at Columbia. I taught from 1930 to 1932, studied at Columbia from 1932 to 1933, and in 1933 and 1934 I went to Italy on an exchange fellowship. I studied at the University of Florence in Italy.

I came back in July 1934 and spent the next fall at Columbia University. The Communists I met were people on Columbia campus and they took me to the office of the American League Against War and Fascism. At the time I joined there was only one unit at Columbia and the two people there were Professor James Mendenhall and Lee Fuhr. She was a nurse studying there then. She subsequently went to Spain and came back here.

Amongst other people were William Hinkley who is now living in Virginia I believe. Also Hal Levine and his wife, and Benjamin Fine who is now writing the educational page for the Times. There was only one job in the League manned by the Communists and I think they called it the executive secretary of the League. At the time I was there in 1935 in the spring I had joined the Columbia unit. This must have been April.

One day when I was there Pauline Rogers asked me if I would be interested in doing Italian Fascist work. She introduced me to Julia Stewart Poynts. She then lived on West 74th Street and the first time I met her she asked me to come to tea and that she wanted very much to learn Italian. So she asked me if I would come evenings to give her lessons. But she always seemed very uninterested in Italian. She asked me if I would like to go to Italy to do underground work. One evening when I was there, there was a man there. I took it for granted

he was an admirer of hers so I excused myself. The second time I made an appointment the same man was still there. They asked me to go out to dinner and I went but finally got thoroughly disgusted. I said I didn't know what was going on. In the meanwhile I had discovered she contacted several people around Columbia, a Mrs. Marian House from Vermont. They were all good Americans. She had offered to finance Marian House through college; but all these people had decided something was wrong and we all decided to drop her. She kept coming to my house on 85th Street at twelve and one o'clock at night. Twice I responded to that and each time she said nothing and she tried to give me a drink and would then start to talk about the underground work.

Finally she must have given me up as a bad job. In the meanwhile she had completely vanished. She used to be around Columbia before that and she completely disappeared. This group she had been contacting decided that if she ever turned up again we would find out who she was and what was going on. A year later I met her. I decided to find out who she was. She was still living in the same place. She invited me to have tea one afternoon. I went to the other members of the group and we went to the Harlem section of the Communist Party and told it to Louis Sass who was organizer of the Harlem section. He said it sounded very phony and that she might be a German agent.

He sent someone down with me to keep this engagement - a man - and we went in. She was slightly surprised to find me with someone she did not know. He told her who he was and said "I understand you are representing yourself as doing anti-Fascist work. We have checked you thoroughly with headquarters downtown and no one ever heard of you." Then she got very frightened. Then I noticed a door off the living room was slightly ajar and I saw trousers there. Someone was there. She said this was all a frame-up; that "I'm not connected with anything", etc. Then we got up to leave and she said to us, "Please remain."

Of course I didn't stay. We went out very fast, rushed into a telephone and called Louis Sass and he said there was something very odd going on.

Two days later Pauline Rogers and Julia came to my house. They took me into my bedroom and Glazer Poyntz proceeded to light into me. She called me a Trotskyite and told me I was meddling into things that were none of my business; that I would be six feet under, and things like that. Pauline didn't say anything. I was pretty frightened but then at that point I got mad. I told them to go. She went away and I never saw her again until those notices came out. She's dead now. It is to be noted here that Jacob Golos informed me of that.

I told him that I had known her. Then he told me she was six feet under. He said she was a German agent. Usually they have a funny expression in those circles; when they kill somebody they refer to it that so and so is ~~was~~ playing pinochle.

That was about May 1936. In June 1936 the Columbia Placement Bureau called me and said they had a job in Amtorg camp and did I want to go. I went and was there for about two months in the summer. I never got to know them well. The camp was at Napanoch, New York. I don't think the camp knew anything about me. When I came back I was looking for a job. I had gone down to the League and met a red-haired lady and she looked at me and pulled me aside and asked me to take a job for a business man to teach him English. He was here on anti-Fascist work. She kept after me and I finally decided to go.

She introduced me to Joseph Eckhart. He is a Lithuanian, about 35 years old, about 5' 11", broad shoulders, no hair, false teeth, glasses, very natty dresser. I think he was sent here especially to try to buy airplanes and ship them to Spain. I think he went back because the embargo was clamped down. I don't know his business. He lived in the Hotel Marcy on 96th Street. I met him three times in November or December 1936. He was having his teeth fixed.

In December he said he had to make a trip abroad and disappeared. He left ^{him} an address where he could find me. He came back in April 1937. He said then that he didn't think he had a job for me but that I should keep on seeing him just in case. I asked him where he had been and he said he had been to Russia. I asked him about the trials. You know, everybody was talking about the trials at that time. He got very peculiar at that point. He said some of his best friends were mixed up in it and he didn't want to talk about it. He talked oddly from then on. First he would say he was a big shot in Russia and then he would alternate by saying that if he went back to Moscow he would be shot.

When he came back he was living at the Barbizon Plaza and then he moved to the Windemere. He kept saying he was going back but he didn't go. Then finally he set sail in January 1938. He said he was going home, presumably Russia. At this time I was working in Consumers Union. During this period I was a party member.

I started out in Unit 1 in Columbia. In April I moved to Amsterdam Avenue and 150th Street and was there until July. Then I was shifted back to Columbia. ^{MY MARY'S NAME} It was Elizabeth Sherman. I also worked at Macy's in the fall of 1937 until December 1937.

Before Eckhart left he said to me, "In case I ever need you I am leaving behind me a friend of mine and he will keep in contact with you." This was a peculiar individual - a Pole born in Germany. He went under the name Marcel, although I noticed that his auto license says Michael Endelman. He then went to Florida in the spring and he told me that if a friend called up ~~the friend~~ was in Florida. He was very peculiar too. He said he was going home. He told me all sorts of crazy things. He said this is a crazy organization; ~~that it was like the Catholic Church~~. He departed in May, and he said that if I ever needed him that I could reach him at an address he gave me in Paris at a cafe. I don't remember the name.

He would send me postcards from Paris signed "M". He seemed to be on the Spanish border line so I thought he was working with the Spanish Republicans, although lately I think they were military intelligence.

In June 1938 the Columbia Placement Bureau asked me if I would like to work for an Italian library. I said yes and they said to make an appointment. The library hadn't been started then. I went down and had an interview with ~~him~~ ^{him}. When I walked into this place I realized it was an Italian Government sponsored organization. They were unpacking things in a room near the Consulate. I didn't think I would get the job because when I was in Italy I had made several remarks about Mussolini and Prezzolini who is the head of the Casa Italiana. He had been in Florence the summer I left there and when he came back he was very chilly to me. I suspected this was because of my speeches about Mussolini around Columbia campus.

Later on Mr. Clifford McAvoy came to see me. They were working with The Nation at that time. He told me the same trick had been played on him; that he had been offered a position teaching English in Columbia and he hadn't gotten the job.

I wrote an article on this situation and the article appeared in the October 1935 issue of the Spectator. Because of that, although I had never had repercussions on it, the dean of Columbia called on Prezzolini and told him to keep his nose out of American politics. I think Prezzolini was an agent. I thought that certainly if this was an Italian government sponsored organization they wouldn't take me. Evidently they got their wires crossed. Prezzolini spent every summer abroad. I started working in July. I took the job to see what I could find out. I kept writing to Marcel.

I finally decided to go downtown to see Pauline Rogers. She sent me to see Mr. F. Brown who then resided on the ninth floor of Communist Party headquarters. He is now down at L'Unita del Popolo. His real name was an Italian name, he is about six feet tall, dark hair, dark eyes, bushy hair, no glasses, a big fellow. F. Brown was not his real name. I read that he was an alien and was mixed up in things he shouldn't be. He had a long beard. A year ago Browder told me he was one of the editors of L'Unita del Popolo. He may have gone back by now. He told me he had been a revolutionary in Italy and that he knew ^{BLINZULE} ~~Binnasio~~ in Italy. Someone told me he once had been a mayor of the town over there.

I went to see him and tried to tell him what I wanted and described Mr. Eckhart to him and he seemed to remember him. A week later he called me up to meet him. I met him at a cafeteria on University Place and 8th Street, and waiting in a car there was Mr. Golos. I was introduced to Golos through Brown around October 15, 1938. I told Golos what I was doing. He said it was very interesting and that the Italian underground would be very glad to keep an eye on these people.

I left the Italian Library then. The Italian Library was mixed up in all sorts of odd things.

In about November ^{L'ANNUALE} ~~Binnasio~~ discovered who I was. He called me into his office and showed me a clipping from the Spectator and said "Is that you?" I said yes. He thought about it, and later on the atmosphere in the office was very frigid and when people came in they looked at me and said "There sits the Bolshevik."

During that period I gave all the material to Golos. copies of letters, things I heard over the phone, etc. I didn't know where Golos was at this time. He called himself Timmy. After that I took another position and during that time he began to talk to me about the McClure syndicate. He said that I know how to work in a place like that. He asked me to go after some Nazis. He said it was my job. He persuaded me to try to get a job there, and said it would be very easy. The man who runs it is Richard Waldo who is a German agent in this country and who has a nasty disposition; that he could get me a job.

So after Labor Day 1939 I went and met Waldo and he hired me. From March 1939 to Labor Day 1939 I had several jobs. Some were translating jobs, French and Italian. I didn't report to Golos. All I did for him in that period was typing work. I was at McClure until February 1940. I used to give Golos copies of letters that hinted at something that wasn't above-board. I could never find much of anything

to lay my hands on. He had some strange friends and they came to see him and this fact seemed to be very important to Golos. He also had a man who was writing for his syndicate who was supposed to be anti-Nazi but he always carried a gun and supposedly went to the waterfront for material, but Golos was after this man. There were just little things. Waldo was extremely clever. There was nothing I could get.

I worked there until February 1940. In 1939 came the investigation of World Tourist and at that time he told me where he was. They were then in the Flatiron Building, I think. It came about purely by mistake. He told me he was a publicity man and had opportunities to get free passes to theaters and he promised to bring me some one day. One day he brought them and on the top was written what I thought was "Gold" and I thought they were the wrong ones. He immediately got excited and snatched it and rushed away. Two weeks later he said, "You know my name. Why are you pretending?" I said I didn't know his name and he said his name was Golos. I discovered later he was quite an important figure in the left wing movement but it meant nothing to me. I guess he thought I knew.

In 1939 and 1940 the investigation came and he told me he was being investigated by the United States. He told me he had a great deal of material that he must get rid of. I had a fireplace and he wanted to get rid of it there. It was largely ~~Russian~~ ^{American} passports. He got rid of these, and during the discarding of the material I observed this very small credential card which he told me people carried around in Russia to get special privileges. I observed on the card his picture, his signature and then on the other side I don't remember what it said. I saw the initials, I think, "NKVD" and he said, "Now you've seen it. I suppose you know."

Then he said he might as well tell me how the thing was organized. He told me ~~anybody~~ ^{anybody} going abroad was put under the foreign division of this NKVD and were responsible to them and that there were three branches. One was military and naval combined. One was general and I think the third was political. He didn't go any further than that. He said they were each independent of the other. When their agents went abroad they were divided into three branches but were all part of the foreign division. I think it's true because I mentioned it to Jack later on and he said yes; that it was correct.

Then he went through that long process of Washington and back and during that period he was staying various places. He had contact with these Mexicans - two of them. Once he went to dinner with them. They were two artists. One is the brother of a Mexican artist who is married to an American girl now living in Brooklyn on either President or Carrol Street. She is Rose Aranal. She used to get letters from them. Golos mentioned to me that when that happened it should never

have happened; that it was a mistake. He said not to go to Rose Arenal any more. Also during this period he used to get letters from Canada. I think I know now who they were from. Just before Golos died, Fred Rose, who became an MP in Canada, came down and then went back again. He kept sending messages to me asking me to come to see him. As I figure it out, I think what Golos was trying to do was to get material from Canada into this country via Fred Rose because the Russians told me they had no organization in Canada. I think this was in 1939.

At that time Golos had a room with a girl named Caroline Klein who lives on West 13th Street between 6 and 7th Avenues, telephone WA 9-6116. She also is a very ardent Communist. He moved out so she wouldn't be involved. Until that time he had a room in her house. After he died she came to see me. A lot of material that was destroyed I didn't see, but a lot was American passports. I don't know if they were false or real ones. There was lots of other stuff too. That investigation took place through part of 1940.

Then in 1939 he began talking about the fact that he had always had a dream of setting up an organization to handle travel and packages to the USSR and he hoped to make World Tourist that organization. He talked vaguely about it but in the fall of 1940 he decided it should be done and he looked around for somebody to head it. He asked Earl Browder if he knew anyone. I was working in an advertising agency at that time. Browder suggested Colonel John H. Reynolds. He was one of these people who has been on the fringe, a very decent guy, flattered by the attention the left wingers had given him. He had been out of business ten years and did not go back. His wife is a Fleeceman. He thinks he is a Marxist because he tells me he has been a Socialist for twenty years but I don't think so.

He was getting tired of not doing anything and this idea appealed to him. He decided to undertake it. It was to be set up so that Browder would contribute \$15,000 to start and he would put up \$5,000. If it made good they would cash in on their investment. Later on he had been approached by several of the people on where the party money was. Wiener came to see me. They both drew out money. You won't find any record because it was in several banks.

Golos arranged that the contract would be given to the United States Service and Shipping Corporation and then Reynolds was to send a cable to the Intourist who handle packages through customs, etc. It was a long period of negotiation. Golos' friends were supposed to tell them what to do and they didn't like the idea and there must have been trouble. In the meanwhile he said it sounded like an interesting organization and that he would like to work in it. I didn't realize then what it was. He said he would introduce me to Reynolds and I was hired.

The contract finally came through in April 1941. Reynolds is a person with very respectable friends, etc., and Reynolds didn't know anything about the Russian angle at all. He wanted to run it as a perfectly honest business and do the best he could. He didn't mind paying back the investment to the Communist Party and it was run as a very honest business. As a matter of fact we are still in the red for money we lost. We checked everything.

World Tourist became our receiving agent. World Tourist was originally started by the Communist Party in 1927 and Golos took it over in 1932 and made a go of it. Before that it had been losing money.

The next important thing I think - well, first of all he got a heart attack in early 1941 and got a second one and didn't realize what it was. I made him go to a doctor and he told him he had hardening of the arteries. This was in April 1941. Then I think it was in May he began taking on people he got from other people downtown. Starting in 1941 he began this other type of job whereby he took foreign contacts he had downtown in the headquarters, Communist Party members who had interesting jobs to the Russians and had them moved to Golos' custody. The first I think was about April 1941. That was Mary Price who was then working as Walter Lippmann's secretary. I don't know who referred her. None of this was official. Certain people were approached. Evidently there were some who didn't like this and others who cooperated, and he must have made contact with people willing to cooperate. He knew everyone. What she had that interested him I never could see. I think he was mainly interested in Lippmann's friends.

Golos told me that Lippmann had once been in U.S. in World War I. She is the first one I recall knowing about. He was another one - Robert Miller, who was at that time running the "Hemisphere". He used to bring copies of the "Hemisphere" to Golos. About that period when he felt his strength failing he asked me if I would meet Bob. There was nothing in it. In May 1941 he came up very agitated in my office and told me the taxi driver had told him that a few days previous two men had shown him credentials. He didn't specify but took it for granted it was the FBI. Then Golos said that in the papers one day there was a notice of this Russian engineer who was arrested for getting material out of Standard Oil. Then he was released and went back home. He said "I expect I'm going to be followed from now on."

Two days later Colonel Reynolds had invited both of us to dinner. We worked very late then. We were going to dinner at 7:30 and he told me two FBI agents were waiting in the street for him. We went down and one was planted on Broadway and one was on the 5th Avenue side. He said for me to go to the place and he was going to get rid

of these guys. I went and later he came back and said he got rid of them. The next night I went to World Tourist. I finished and came out about 7:30 and there were two agents and it was very obvious. I didn't know who they were waiting for. They started after me and I got terrified. I went about two blocks and went into a phone booth and then one of them got into the next booth. Then I got mad so I walked them up to the Pennsylvania Station and got rid of them. From then on about two or three days a week they came after me. This went on until August 1941. I got to know them.

Mr. Golos told me that he believed he was being followed because of his connection with this Russian engineer with the Armenian name who had been recently arrested. He said until then he hadn't know it was the man but that there was a picture of the man. This continued until about July or August 1941 and then they disappeared completely. At that time Golos began getting weaker and weaker. At the same time as he felt his strength failing he decided more and more to build up a reputation. He began getting more and more people. He got them from Browder. Some he gave to me. Most of them he did the talking to. Technically you would call it being a courier. For example, I was to go to Washington once a month and see Mary Price. She would come to New York once a month and see him.

Then in August 1941 he took on this H. Gregory Silvermaster. Also with the group was Captain W. Ludwig Ullman, U. S. Army Air Corps, Pentagon Building; also Helen Silvermaster, George Silverman, who at that time was with the Railroad Retirement Board; and Harry White, U. S. Treasury. It was the center of a group of espionage and their function was to get what they could through their own jobs in the government and also collect other people who might be unattached Communists and to enlarge themselves and gather more and more. I think I think joined the party on the West Coast. He was out there during the long-shoremen's strike out in San Francisco and at that time Browder told him never to be active in the party. They would give information to Golos and he would pass it on. Sometimes they would come up to New York. It started out on a small basis and by moving people around it got built up. Originally all the information they had came from the Treasury. Golos always wanted political information, nothing else. All he was interested in was collecting things on anti-Soviet publicity. Originally that is all he collected. If the Treasury had a memo on British and Americans making anti-Soviet remarks he would take it.

Golos told me very little about the group. They were a very frank, open group - talked quite a bit. First they didn't talk to me. Most of them were Russians, but after a while they did. In this period he picked up various people one by one. One was Robert Miller, who was head of the "Hemisphere". He had an offer of a job with Rockefeller so Golos persuaded him to give us information on anti-Soviet

activities that he got down in Latin America and Miller did. He used to come up to New York once in a while. I don't think it was particularly secretive. Another person was Helen Tenney. I think it was in 1942 he met her. She was working for some shortwave outfit which is a hiring place for people in the OSS. It was a hiring ground for foreign agents that were sent abroad for the OSS. His interest in her was to find out whether these individuals were anti-Soviet or pro-Soviet. He never told me anything in those days. He talked her into going to Washington. She took a job with the Spanish Division of the OSS in the confidential branch. She went there in the fall of 1943 and I guess is still there. She took over Mary Price's apartment in Washington.

Another person was Maurice Halpern who came from Oklahoma. He was connected with the Oklahoma University and was kicked out for belonging to the teachers' union. He had a job with the Latin American Division of OSS. That was not confidential. Then there was J. Julius Joseph who was working for the Social Security Board in Washington and when the war came Joseph was pulled out of the Army by OSS and put in the Japanese Division of the confidential division. He went in as a private and finally got raised to a second lieutenant. His being raised was after Golos died.

When Mary Price was in Washington in the fall of 1942 she had a friend, Major Duncan Lee, who had been working in Bill Donovan's law office, and he was transferred to the OSS in one of these small groups, and when that happened Mary moved him over to Golos at that time. He is out now and has been trying to get out for a long time. He was always unhappy over it. When the war came he became a major. Then he moved into the Japanese Division. The last thing I heard he wasn't in it. So is Mary Price out of it.

We never called them by their real names. We called them by nick names. Mary Price kept her own name. Duncan Lee was known as Pat. Silverman was known as Sam. Ullman was known as ~~Sam~~ ^{LYNN}. Halpern was known as Mac. Helen and Joe kept their own names. Bob kept his name.

There was another person, a Britisher, named Michael Greenberg. He never did very much. I don't think he is terribly important. I don't know too much about him. He worked in the FEA. He also worked with ~~Lechman~~ ^{Lechman} ~~Curry~~ ^{Curry}. He was a personal friend of the Silvermaster group. He was one of the braintrusters group. I don't know whether Curry suspected. I think he did. He and Silverman were Harvard graduates and they met there. He came to Silverman one day and told him he had information that the American government had broken the Soviet code. I think this was about two years ago. I know the group was never sure of him. Their theory of life was that it was the top

people that were important. They specialized in picking up top people in top government bureaus. Golos was handling all these groups with me as a courier up until the time of his death.

Selfpage
In New York there was Albert Kahn. He thinks he is a born detective. He is always finagling. For instance, he got hold of someone in the British Intelligence and thought he was smarter than they were. What he passed on to us was largely the gossip any newspaperman gets. There was also another Britisher, part of the British Intelligence. His wife wrote a cook book. He lives in the Bronx. His last name begins with a "B". I have never met him. I think his first name is something like Cedric or Cecil. He is a friend of Browder and very much in sympathy with the Communists and has given them information from the British Intelligence files. He had some stuff in a safe. I remember a long copy of a Scotland Yard report on how to train men to be intelligence agents.

Another one was Peter Rhodes, newspaper reporter. His background is very vague. His mother was British married to a German. They lived in this country during World War I. One day the father was found murdered and the mother was suspected. She claimed self-defense. Actually she was a British Intelligence agent and he was a German Intelligence Agent. Anyway she went completely crazy after that. He has been in trouble for some time. He was sent to England and Africa. When it came time to get his passport there was something terrible in that. His wife kept in touch with him after that. The Russian, Bill, whom I believe is an NKVD man is trying still to get in contact with him.

There was another newspaperman named Winston Bardett. I think that's broken up. My friend Al asked me about him because they had lost him. You see, when these people went abroad Golos arranged to have people pick them up on the other side.

Another was Vladimir Kazakovich, former professor at Cornell University. He was very poor. I haven't seen him in a long time. He told me once that his father was an engineer in the Siberian railroad. They were White Russians. He came via China to this country during the Revolution. He met some Reds and they converted him. He is not a member of the Party. He is a man without a country. He is not a Soviet citizen and has never become an American citizen. In 1934 he got out of this country and back into Russia and back here again without a passport. He went out legitimately.

There is a Ukrainian, one of the editors of the Ukrainian Daily News, named Tkach, first name unknown. His function was to dig up for Golos people who would be planted in Ukrainian nationalist movements -

anything going on that was anti-Soviet. Kahn had access to the files of the ADL and they were digging up all sorts of anti-Nazi, anti-Semitic things. Tkach introduced Stepankowski to Golos. I don't understand Stepankowski very well. He was very poor and would do investigations for anybody for practically nothing and I think Golos paid him for doing these things and he would get contacts between Ukrainian Nationalists, etc. Then he got very poor and the Russians didn't want to pay him any more. They wanted Albert to get him a job in the ADL and the last I heard of he was still with them.

Another person was Louis Budenz but he never produced many people. He also used to bring in his own information because he came to me with it. He was a personal friend of that Yugoslav, Louis Adamic. I suspected that Louis Adamic was also working with the OSS. Louis was very glad to tell him what was going on. He lived next to another famous character whose name I can't recall. He was an Americanized Czech. He wrote his memoirs in the Saturday Evening Post in 1937. Obviously this man was being used as an American agent and was stationed in Turkey and Budenz suspected it was anti-Soviet activity.

This particular group was in New York City. Albert Kahn was in New York City. Tkach and Stepankowski were in New York City, The Majority were in Washington. Golos gave this information to people he was in contact with at that particular time. I suspected it was the political branch but I don't know. If Golos paid anybody I did not know about it, except for special investigators like Spivak and Stepankowski. But of the other people, I don't know of anyone.

Leon
There was another fellow who lived at Central Park West. He works for a big aircraft company. He did get paid for the reports but I don't think there was anything subversive about it. He was an expert on it. I don't know of Golos paying anyone on it.

There was a second group composed of Victor Perlo who at that time was working in the WPB and then moved to FEA; Donald Wheeler, who was working on the editorial board of OSS; Edward Fitzgerald who worked for WPB and FEA; and Charles Kramer who used to relay gossip. Charles Kramer was the leader of this groups. There was another man - a lame man, heavy set. I think his name was ^{MACDOFF} Markoff. They had a couple of satellites. One was a Yugoslav who was sent to Yugoslavia at one time. I think he was a naturalized Yugoslav. There were two or three other people. ~~This was the group given to me~~ by Browder to give to Golos. Golos lost contact with them. Another one was Ted Bayer, managing agent of "Soviet Russia Today". He used to work with Russian military people. He always used to come over and try to get things from Golos. His name was mentioned once when I was speaking to Al and Al told me he was a very unreliable character. They kicked him out.

There is a man on the ninth floor of Communist Party headquarters named A. Landy. He was mixed up in something which I think was taking Communist Party members and planting them in Trotskyite organizations. He planted these people in the Trotskyite organizations to keep tabs on what they were doing and he was getting reports on them and giving them to Golos. He always said he was not in sympathy with bribing anyone. He did not believe in it. He said he didn't like what the Russians were doing. He said he would have none of it. I don't believe he paid anyone. He may have but I don't think so. He was a Communist Party man and his value was in getting Communist Party people. The only thing I know of he did was the Gelfand business. He was the one who escaped from Europe with \$100,000 and came to this country. He is still here. He tried to come into this country secretly but they found out what boat he was coming on. He found out Golos trailed him in a car, etc.

Another one was Jaffo. He is either a Lithuanian or Estonian who was head of an anti-Soviet ring that was mixed up around there. Golos mentioned him occasionally in 1938. He had some connection with Richard Waldo. Later on Jack asked if I knew anything about Gelfand and he told me this long story. It was about this man who smuggled diamonds into this country. He is supposed to look like Richard Waldo. They never had a picture of him. He is another man of mystery. Evidently Golos was quite a power. It seems that way. The Russians didn't like him. The Russians told me that he was a traitor.

Six months before he died he began complaining to me. I didn't know whether it was his condition that made him that way or what was going on. He began complaining about the Russians; that they were no good, etc. I didn't know whether or not it was true. About a year before he died he told me the Russians tried to pry these people loose from him. He said no. He said these are good American Communists who don't know what they are doing. He didn't want them to meet the Russians. He refused to give them up. He was a pretty tough character and sometimes he would come into the office as if he had his head bashed in. I asked whether Browder would stand by him. He said he didn't know. He went to Washington to see this big Russian in Russian espionage. He came back discouraged. He said he fought for Communism and now he was beginning to wonder. He finally told me he was to see the man on the 26th of November and give a final decision. He said he either had to get out or give up these people. He died on Thanksgiving day.

From then on I was on my own. I thought the first thing to do was to see Browder and see if he could enlighten me. I remember saying to him that I think they killed him. I said "What about these people. Do you want to give them up?" He said no. He never explained anything about it.

The first thing I could think of to do after he died, was to - the only hope that I had, the only person to see that I knew at all was Browder. Originally, it was my idea to meet Browder, and so once when he came out of prison, I think in 1941, and he went right away to his summer place in Monroe, New York - Evidently the reason that Browder also was interested in having Golos keep these people was that all the information that Golos got, if it was of any interest at all to Browder, he would make duplicate copies of it, and give it to him, and that - you see where he got an awful lot of his book. That's where he got it from. Golos was anxious to do this to conciliate him. In the summer time, Golos would take trips up to Monroe and one trip he took me along and introduced me to him. Then I met him several other times.

ARTURO Golos had other contacts, he knew this Napoli, who runs this ~~business~~, and through him he used to arrange special previews of Russian pictures and so forth. Well, on Browder's wedding anniversary one year, I think it was 1933, he arranged a dinner and a preview of a picture, and I went to it.

After Golos died, I thought he was the only person I could go to and I went to see him, and finally came to the question of all these people, and I said, "Do you know that Golos' Russian friends want to take them away from me?" And I said, "Well, how do you feel about it?" He said, "I'll fight it to the last ditch". I said, "Do you want me to stand up and fight?" and he said, "Yes". I said, "All right, I will".

The following Monday, I met the girl, Golos introduced me to this American girl, Catherine. The only clue I have to her identity is - do you remember Don Henderson? Well, in speaking to her one night about Mary Price, I mentioned the fact that Mary Price at one time had been in love with Don Henderson, and it looked as though there had been some very close connection, she jumped when I mentioned it to her. It looked as though she knew him very well.

She looks either Scotch or Irish. She has one of those feather out hair bobs. Very blonde. Irish nose, green blue eyes. She's 5' 8" or 5' 9", very long and lean. Small bones. I should say about 35, the man I think is her husband told me. I used to see her off and on after Golos died, and she had a child I think in July of 1944.

This night, this Monday night, I had an appointment with her in a movie theatre. I met her in a movie theatre. I said to her, "Did you bring anyone with you?" and she took me out and went through this complicated series of maneuvers to make sure she hadn't been followed. She acted like

an amateur. We picked up her husband in the middle of Park Avenue. She was to meet him at one minute to eight o'clock.

Her husband, Bill, is about 38 years old, about 5' 10" or 11". He is long and lean, not broad shouldered. He is a dandy - suit just so, etc. I remember that I once took a walk with him in Central Park, and before he sat down, he folded his suit neatly, and so on. Straight black hair, flops over one eye. Round dark eyes, nose turns up. He has something wrong with his circulation, because his lips are almost always blue colored - purple colored. Very heavy lips. He has a tooth missing. I think he's Ukrainian Jewish. He doesn't look it. I don't know what nationality he is. He speaks with an accent. I never heard him speak Russian, but once I made some slighting remark about the Ukraine, and he jumped to his feet and howled. He has a tooth missing in the upper front, on the left hand side.

What else I know about him is this. He has a yen for women. You always feel that if any woman came around, and his wife wasn't around, he'd like to make a play for her. When he has too much to drink, he talks about his past and all the women that went around with him. He's good looking. He is not intelligent. His brows are dark, straight, and not too heavy. He always was meticulous about shaving. I imagine he would have a heavy beard. He's always combing his hair back. In summer he wears one of those jaunty white Panamas, and seersucker suits, and sport shoes, brown and white, and black and white. He has quite big feet. He's a rather skinny individual. You get the impression he's all bones.

Way back in spring, he offered to buy me a fur coat. He said he was in the garment trade, and could get it wholesale. I said I wasn't interested. Later on, JACK said to me that he was in business. Jack also said he was a part time worker, not a full time guy. He said, "This is one of these people who - people like me are full time. People like Bill are people that run a business, have the mentality of a ~~dealer~~, and we use them for one or two jobs."

Bill was never communicative. He would say yes or no, if someone told him something he should say to you, or else he said yes or no. He's obviously not a big shot at all. I met Catherine, his wife, and she introduced me to him. She said, "I want to introduce you to your new boss", and that was Bill. His approach was very amusing. He said, "Well, girls, where shall we go now?" in this horrible Russian accent. It was very funny. He said, "I've been told to tell you to hand over all these people". He said, "I want Mary Price first, we need her very badly". I said, "Sorry, no can do." I said, "It's not up to me, it's up to Browder". So he said he'd

meet me again. You see, I used to give him the material, either to him or to his wife, depending. Most of the time it was him, because she wasn't feeling so well. We would make arrangements - 'I'll see you next Thursday at such and such a place'. ^{THE} war went on for a long time. Every time I met him, he'd demand again, and I would go back to BROWDER and say, "Are you going to stand for him?" and he could say, "Yes."

I don't think BROWDER ever said in so many words who BILL was. Finally, they decided that they couldn't get MARY, and then they started after this SILVERMASTER gang. I said, "No." Finally they said, "We insist upon meeting them at least once." We took him out to dinner, tried to get him drunk. I said to BILL, "This is the last time you see him". Then he started in again on me, and finally, I said "I won't do anything". He said, "We'll go to BROWDER". He must have, because I think it was two months later I met BILL, and he didn't say anything, he just smiled at me like a cat who had swallowed the cream. The next day, BROWDER told me to turn them over to the Russians. He said, "I've made a deal with them". I began to see then slightly what was going on, I think. There was nothing else to do, I had to turn them over. BILL told me to go, to move to Washington or Baltimore, and from there to take care of them. I took care of them up to September, 1944, and then turned them over. They didn't want to be turned over. They hated it and so did I.

First, before he said "Turn them over", they went to BROWDER and insisted they be allowed to see SILVERMASTER. Then they demanded that they have them. So that arrangements were made direct with SILVERMASTER. I know that JACK in one of his talking moods said that they had reshuffled the whole thing and broken up the entire group, and that he thought it was all a mess, and I had done better, and so forth.

BILL was to go with this group, and I was to have a new man, and arrangements were made that I was to stand on a certain corner, I believe in October of 1944 and someone was to say something to me. That was the advent of JACK. I don't think he's in this country any more. I know that JACK must be an agent. BILL gave me instructions on how to meet him. I think he called him BOB. Anyway, he later took the name of JACK. BILL said, "He's a very nice guy." I said, "I don't want an American, I want a Russian". He said, "First you see the American".

JACK is about an inch taller than I, possibly, about 5' 9". Very broad shouldered. Looks Jewish, is Lithuanian Jewish. About the color of my hair, kinky. Very heavy eyebrows, like lots of Lithuanians have. His nose is Jewish, not large, but curved over. These extremely bright blue eyes. Very thin narrow mouth. When he smiles he's good looking. Lines

from his nose to his mouth. He has lots of teeth missing. Has teeth that fit in, and when he's tired he takes them out. He looks like anybody who might have grown up on the East Side. Has a Jewish, East Side accent. Dresses in American suits, conservative. Good conservative shoes. Conservative neckties, but insists upon wearing very fancy cuff links and silk shirts. He told me once that he had been given this course of training in Americanizing himself, and was told not to wear silk shirts and cuff links. He always looks as though he's under a strain, hasn't had enough sleep. The color of his face is always very gray, very haggard. At first I thought he was American, but I thought I'd trap him after a while, so I said something in Russian which was funny, and he laughed. Later on he told me he was Lithuanian Jewish, and described his background. He told me strange stories about how during the revolution they had nothing to eat in Lithuania. He said he used, as a kid, to run errands for the Bolsheviks and he worked on up and they sent him over here. I think he has been in this country four or five years.

He'd get very sad spells, weeping on my shoulder. He said, "I'll never get anyplace in this life. I can't go any further. This is the end for me." He said, "I'd like to learn more, but there's no further to go". And then, he'd say it was an awful life he was living, and it was a terrible life to have to live that way, but then he said, "I suppose I've lived this way so long, I just couldn't change, probably". And then, I remember, once, for some strange reason, I mentioned that sometime, perhaps later on, when the business was right, I might go to Moscow with the Colonel. He said, "Don't go there, you wouldn't like it". He said, "You're not the type to be doing this sort of thing, you don't know what you're in the midst of", and he tried to describe the work they were doing, and so forth. He said that a lot of things he did involved tapping, telephoning, learning how to crack safes, get in desk drawers and in and out doors, etc.

He's a good photographer, everything. He had been trained over there. He got sicker and sicker, and told me once he had a hemorrhage on the street from a stomach ulcer, and he finally left me in the spring of 1945. I don't know where he is now. He spoke excellent Hebrew, Lithuanian, Russian, Spanish, his English is all right. But what I caught him in, he can't spell in English. I was sure he wasn't an American.

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He was the one who said to me, way, way back, before ^{HE} Gates died, he said, "I think the Russians are putting a new system into effect. I think they are trying to Americanize their people more. I think they have pulled a lot of people out of the Communist Party and sympathizers,

and have been quietly training themselves, and now are going to turn them loose sometime soon." I think CATHERINE is one of them. What they do to Americans they train is something you just cannot imagine. They are experts in the art of back-stabbing. They're nasty, arrogant. Part of this scheme was that everyone should be so fixed that he could pass. He should dress like an American. They wanted me to write a long essay on the subway systems in New York - everything a person landing in this country should have to know - how to smoke a cigarette, everything like that, so that they could get themselves Americanized. He said, "If you ever meet any people, they probably will be Lithuanians or something, but you'll think they are Americans". They are trying to move this network away from any organizations that have any connections at all with Russia. This whole system of espionage or whatever you call it. For example, COLOS was connected with an organization that would naturally be suspect. What they are trying to do is to move everybody into organizations that are not connected with - break them up.

Also, they don't want Communist Party members to remain Communist Party members. They want to yank them away. That was another bone of contention between them and BROWDER, because they took everybody he dug up to work for him. So far, I don't think they have succeeded very well. They don't trust Americans worth anything. They distrust them completely. They think they can be bribed or seduced. They have absolutely no respect for Americans at all.

Whatever was left of the group, I gave the information that came from them to JACK. With the absence of the SILVERMASTER gang, I was handling all the rest. Then, at this point, I said to JACK that I wanted to speak to somebody high up who was a Russian. His feelings were hurt and so forth, and he finally said, "Yes, I'll arrange it, but the man isn't arriving in this country until late in October". He finally arranged - this man is probably one of these ~~chickens~~ roving people, because he said I'd have to go to Washington and meet him. The usual rigmarole. And this one turned up, AL. You could tell right away he was different from the rest. In those days his English was very poor. He has a British accent, by the way. He spoke in these days with a Russian accent combined with the British. It was late in October, 1944, in a drug store at Georgetown, Washington. I set the pincer - He tried to stay away from all government buildings in Washington, because he said he was well known, which leads me to believe he was one of the higher-ups.

He's a funny looking guy. He's short, maybe 5' 3" or 5' 4". Broad shouldered, stocky, fat. Has blond hair, is near sighted, wears glasses - not too thick glasses. Round face. Rimless glasses. He has two extra teeth sticking out, overlapping each other, like tiger teeth, in the upper front.

He has very thick lips. I think it's a Jewish nose, a short nose, but it turns down a little bit. He's one of these people looks older than he actually is. He's probably in his middle or late thirties. His clothes never seem to fit him right. He used to be a pretty sloppy dresser, but he's picking up. But smart. He's the educated type, definitely. He's very cagy. They're never supposed to tell anybody who they are or what they are. He walked up to me, and said, "I bring you greetings from Moscow". It seems they later bawled him out for this.

We walked all over Washington and I talked about the business to him, mainly. And also about these people and what was going to be done with them. He said, "I haven't any power, but I'll listen to you". He is the kind of a person that instinctively makes shivers run up and down your spine. He had learned how to behave in America out of a report written on it. There is something slimy about the guy. I didn't like him.

The next few times I saw JACK and nothing much was accomplished. Then, in November, JACK told me, he was so excited, "I said, 'What's the matter, JACK?' They were all trying to bribe me with things. They wanted to pay me a salary of \$200.00 a month. Very shortly after BILL ran into tough sledding with me, he began suggesting, 'May I buy you a fur coat?' I said, 'I'm sorry'. He said, 'I want to give you \$30.00 a month'. I said, 'Sorry'. The next time, he said, 'How about a hundred dollars a month'. I said, 'No'. The next time, it was \$200.00. I said, 'I don't like this business one little bit'. He said, 'Well, I don't like it either, I was told to do this'. Then, in the summer time, I had sinus trouble, and he wanted to buy me an air conditioner. We fought about this all summer. He even went to the SILVERMASTER gang and suggested they put pressure on me, and they came to me and asked me what it was about.

When JACK came along, JACK also tried to give me money. I said, "Look, JACK, this is a racket, I want none of it". He looked sort of ashamed of himself. Evidently they must have sat and meditated and finally decided they had the perfect solution, because about the - just before Thanksgiving Day, JACK met me and he was ~~blabbing~~ all over, and said, "I know something nice is going to happen. You are to meet AL next Monday, and he'll tell you." I couldn't figure it out. I met AL at the Edison Theatre up on Broadway. He began reciting that I had been awarded the Order of the Red Star for my noble work. It sort of went over my head. Well, that just about finished me. I was physically worn out anyway.

AL lives in Washington, but I think he moves around. I think the material was run right up to the Consulate, because JACK used to meet me right near the Consulate.

I thought the Red Star was the last straw. I thought that was the cheapest thing. He thought I was overcome with joy and pride; he couldn't figure out the other angle, I guess. Well, he also told me that I would have to give up all these people. I said, it was up to BROWDER. He said "BROWDER will tell you to do it", which he did. So I was to give up all these people, which I did. And all of them were turned over by Christmas time of 1944. I was in Washington just before Christmas, and that's when I got into a fight with AL because I told him when this was through I didn't want anything more of it. He said, "The trouble with you is you need to get married". He said, "Why don't you look around". I think he was implying himself. Anyway, I walked out on him.

I took the next train to New York, met JACK, and said, "What's going on here?" He turned on me and said I had no right to behave that way. Apparently AL had talked to him. From then on, we were in constant struggles. I was telling them I didn't like anything about it. All sorts of arguments. Finally, they said, "You shouldn't be in the shipping business anyway. What we would like is to turn it into a simple business of sending packages, and we would like to put another person in there to buy out REYNOLDS." Then another feud developed. AL was in favor of keeping REYNOLDS; JACK was not. I tried to insist they get him out, and put their own person in. But it went on and on and on.

Meanwhile, all the people had been turned over, and they would come back to me occasionally and complain. Finally, along in about April, JACK said, "I have found someone to take over the business". I hadn't seen AL in all this time. They introduced me to MRS. JOSEPH ELSON, and JACK told me she was a Communist Party member, a good loyal soul, but very naive. Well, she was to go into the business and buy the Colonel out. I was to go on vacation and come back and work for them. The private idea was get me and the Colonel out. It dragged on and on, because there was a great feud being waged. It started in July, 1944. BROWDER got the idea that it was very bad for the Communist Party to be mixed up in an organization also mixed up with the Russians. He thought the people over there would come to the point where they would want to see them separated. He said, "I think they will probably take over U. S. SERVICE". He asked me how I would like to run WORLD TOURIST. I said "No". The Russians made a deal with him - they offered him \$15,000.00 - that they would take over U. S. SERVICE and leave him WORLD TOURIST. But then, the Russians kept haggling. Wouldn't he sell for \$11,000, and then \$8,000. This awful Orchard Street technique. And I would go to EARL and say, "I've been told to tell you this, but I don't like it."

ELSON came in to learn the business. JACK was still around. When PETER F. HELLER appeared in the picture, and they learned that he was around, they seemingly got terribly upset. To me, it was a very phony sort of outburst. They were afraid, they said. And as a result of that JACK suddenly disappeared. I think it was because of that. And AL appeared. I used to go to Washington to see him.

JACK had wanted me and the Colonel to get out. AL wanted the Colonel and ELSON to stay in and me to get out. I fought with him on it, and told him all sorts of reasons that might appeal to him. He insisted on meeting the Colonel, and I know that he'd get to him some way. He met Colonel REYNOLDS. He was introduced as a Russian who was in this country and on the side was looking after a tourist business and was interested. He told REYNOLDS that he was a friend of COLOS, and so forth. He tried on REYNOLDS' toes, because he kept asking how much money he had. He was rather obnoxious. REYNOLDS didn't take to him very kindly. He offered him broad vistas. REYNOLDS was rather impressed. That was about the time I was to go on vacation. I finally went away on June 19th, and intended to stay for a couple of months. And this AL, who to REYNOLDS called himself PAUL, was supposed to see REYNOLDS in three weeks. He didn't turn up. REYNOLDS called me long distance and asked me where was my friend, PAUL, etc. And I came back to New York after two weeks. I had no way to get in touch with him. I had a standing date to meet him. Nobody knew anything. We didn't know what to do.

In the spring, the Communist Party in the person of WEINER started camping on my door step wanting the \$15,000.00. WEINER had been trying to get me to run WORLD TOURIST for him, and I said "No". So matters rested. Every two weeks, REYNOLDS would call me up and get excited, and I would come into town. I was supposed to see AL on August 8th in Washington. We missed connections and I didn't see him. About two weeks later on, ELSON informed me he wanted me to go back to Washington. A week later, she sent word he would come to New York and see me.

I discussed the business. I said I wanted to have REYNOLDS out of the business, and wanted to settle the \$15,000.00. He said, "Why do you need to settle it? BROWDER is out now. If anybody comes to see you, tell them to see BROWDER". I said I was going back on vacation. He said, "when you come back we can plan to set you up in any business you want". He said, "For six months you'll do nothing, and then come back with me again". I said I didn't like the idea. I went back to the country, and I came back in September.

This time he met me in New York again, and started all over

again. I said, "No, I am not going to do it. I am not interested, and what are you going to do about this business, anyway?" "Well, nothing, nothing". I decided the only thing to do was go back into the business again and maybe he'd do something then. I went back into the business. ELSON reported said fact back through her person, evidently, and AL came tearing up to see me. The Colonel had just been made a Colonel, and we had all been celebrating, and I was very high. When I met AL I couldn't even walk straight. I told him what I thought of him and the Russians and everybody else, in no uncertain terms. I met him at ~~Anderson's~~ ^{Anderson's}, at Radio City. He was to meet me again in a month.

In two weeks, I received word from ELSON that he would like to meet me again. He said, "You know, you really were drunk the last time, and you said things about the Russians, and my feelings were hurt. We're nice people, we love you so much. We are doing so much. When you go to Moscow we'll give you a celebration, you've done so much we just can't forget about it. You can keep your business, we won't interfere. I will personally see that INTOURIST gives you a personal contract." I thought, "Well, what on earth is going on here?". He said, "I think you'll regret it". He said, "I still want you to think over going into a business which we will set up", and so forth. He had been trying to give me money, too. He said, "I insist that you take this \$2,000.00. If you don't take it, I'll think you're a traitor". I still have the \$2,000.00. He thought that was wonderful. I said, "Well, right now I'm just too tired to take on that kind of work." He said, "In a year you'll be back again, doing the same work". That was the last time I saw him.

In the meantime, Mr. LEE HARRIS, a contact man between the Finance Department of the Communist Party and outsiders, came in. He had been running in and out all this time, trying to collect the \$15,000.00. He came in and said he wanted the \$15,000.00. I tried to explain I had nothing to do with it, didn't know anything about it. He said, "You're a traitor to the American movement", and he screamed and yelled. He said I must go to see WEINER. He came back the next day and demanded, he not only wanted the \$15,000.00, he wanted to come in and run the business. He said, "You'll hear from me", and then I got rather frightened, so I went to see the Colonel. I had told the Colonel a lot of this story, and had told him several months ago we ought to close the whole thing up. He alternates, one day he thinks he ought to get out. He thinks he's smarter than the Russians.

Finally, I said, "The only thing to do is to see BROWDER." I went to him and told him the story. He said, "They can start suing you but they won't get anywhere." I said "Do you think they'll do it?" He said,

"They're a bunch of fools down there anyway, and who knows what a fool's going to do?" I said, "The Colonel says if this is going to happen, he'll sell the business right out, and restore whatever money is coming to you".

I told ELSON, meantime, that if her ^{CONTACT} ~~contact~~ showed up she should please get in touch with AL immediately and tell him I wanted to see him, because I was going to force a showdown. She came to see me Monday and told me about this Friday appointment. I have a date to meet AL on Friday, November 9th, at the Guffanti's Restaurant, at 25th and 26th Streets on Seventh Avenue, at 7:00 P.M. He has a complicated system of getting in touch with me. He will call my office, and say that he is Mr. ALLENBERG. He will say he is interested in sending parcels to Sweden. That will mean in two hours from his telephone call he will be at Bickford's Restaurant. That's what he arranged with me the last time I saw him. They change signals all the time.

REYNOLDS knows that we were carrying on work that was not legitimate and so on. He said, "If I were you, I'd just forget about it, it's all in the past". His reaction was, we better forget about it and not mention it to anybody. He's a friend of TED BAER, ^{BAER} too. He told TED he had lost his Russian contact, and would TED please pick it up.

I have not been handling any people since December, 1944, except for one person in January or February. I think it was EDWARD FITZGERALD, as I recall.

The last two times I saw AL, he has been putting pressure on me to get ~~hold~~ ^{hold} of PETER RHODES again. I said, "I don't see any point in doing anything about it." He said, "Be sure and do it this time". I said, "Well, I'll see."

At the time that I left the SILVERMASTER gang they had mechanized themselves to a considerable degree. At that time, ULLMAN was drafted into the Army as a private, but he is extremely clever and worked himself up to sergeant in about two months, became a second lieutenant, and last heard of he was a captain. They pulled strings all over the place and got him stationed in the Pentagon. I can't think of the name of the general. He did work for ARNOLD, but he worked with a man underneath ARNOLD. It's a very famous name. He has a propensity for profanity. Through him, ULLMAN got all this air data. I don't think he got it from anyone but himself. Just the material he got there. Before that, he had been in the Treasury. He comes from a very wealthy Jewish family, who like to pretend they are not Jewish, I think from St. Louis, Missouri. I think maybe they are in "Who's Who".

He was one of those kids who was very bright, but never thought he was Jewish until he was in his teens, and it hit him very hard.

He developed a terrible inferiority complex. He came to Washington, got a minor clerk's job. Four or five years ago, he had a minor job in the Treasury. Somehow or other, the SILVERMASTERS are always giving parties, and he came to one. They spotted him as somebody who was good material. He learned photography overnight. He's a good mechanic. They got him around to their point of view. He took a room in their house. When I met them he was part of the menage. He doesn't like his family, and they don't like him. The only family he has are the SILVERMASTERS.

He is shorter than I am, about 5' 6", looks Jewish, sort of an ordinary type of Jewish face. Plain brown hair, blue eyes. Very thin face, very intelligent looking. Thin build, with a bit of a stomach. I think he is about 37 or 38. He at present, I think, is still in the Air Corps. I don't know. His full name is WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMAN. He's the kind of guy that goes places. He got so he could sass the generals and they loved it.

I think he lived in New York a long long time ago. I think he told me he earned his living by being a professional golfer around New York. He has a sister in New York who married a Communist organizer.

He had about 40 of those microfilm rolls of material, 35 mm. The ^{rolls} ~~books~~ must have had 30 or 40 exposures on each one. I don't know for sure. The roll was about an inch in diameter. He used a Contax camera. He has one Contax of his own that he bought. When they first started in, they didn't photograph, but later they decided to photograph. He built this beautiful outfit in the cellar. He can take it apart and put one piece here and another there, so that no one looking at it would know what it was. It has a rest where the camera lies, and the lens goes down. One night they showed it to me. He uses a Contax. They gave him a Contax, too. He had two Contax's. GOLOS gave him his first one, and the second one I think SILVERMASTER picked up from BILL.

He got all types of information. At the beginning, it was mostly political data, which was fished out of the Treasury. In those days, he picked up whatever memos came to Morgenthau, and found out what there was. Things about the British and Americans ganging up on the Russians, that type of thing. But then, as the war went on and LUD got in where he was and SILVERMAN moved into the Pentagon Building as a civilian employee of the Air Corps, they began to get all this tremendous amount of data. And then they decided to take up photography. LUD learned how to do it and made it a sort of hobby. Most of the data I did not see. Practically all the ~~WFB progress reports~~. Practically all the Ministry of Information in London's monthly reports. Some FBI reports. A monthly report on Red activities in this country. They used to get ahold of Navy Intelligence things,

Army Intelligence things. They evidently get them through trading, the Air Corps used to trade with G-2, and so forth. They had everything under the sun.

They definitely mentioned the FBI. The rest of it was Army Intelligence stuff. One item was that the Air Corps Intelligence claimed that they had found a Russian some place in this country, high up in the Russian Embassy in this country, who was selling out secrets of Soviet air power, and so on. Something of that sort. They'd go in for production figures of all varieties - how many planes are going here and there and so on. He was in on the whole B-29 business. He was sent out to Dayton Field. LUD ULLMAN had all the information on the B-29. I didn't see any plans, but I heard him talking about what was on the films. There was no information about the atomic bomb. I knew that something was going on because I heard somebody in the OSS, but I never heard what it was.

They practically covered the whole range of whatever was around at the time. Marshall's secret directives on this and that - anything. That was LUD's stuff. He had two or three generals who used to tell him things all the time. He'd memorize it, type it out, and photograph it. He used to go home at night with this bulging brief case. They'd photograph it at night, and he'd bring it back in the morning. No one else of that gang knew they photographed things, just ULLMAN, SILVERMASTER, and SILVERMASTER's wife.

ULLMAN liked the work, he fancied himself as an intelligence agent. LUD, sometimes I think he is sincere, sometimes I think it's a game of wits with him. I don't think he's getting any remuneration. If anybody ever shows any signs of needing money, it comes. It flows around the place.

The SILVERMASTERS, I think she is very definitely pro-Russian. Her father was Baron WITE, and he was one of these strange Polish - Russian Barons, who was not a Czarist, but was vaguely in sympathy with the revolution. He was a very famous explorer, and although he never was with the revolutionists, he used to give them money, hide them, and so on, and he brought his daughter up that way. She is fanatically Russian, more so than any of the others. Really, sincerely Russian. SILVERMASTER himself - he is Jewish, she is not. He was in China when the revolution broke out. He came from a Ukrainian village, and he and his family escaped to China. He eventually came to this country, got interested in the Communist movement, and got sucked into it. He is a graduate, I think, of one of those California universities. He has a Ph.D., I think. He taught for ten years in a Catholic college in California. He came to Washington in 1935, with the Department of Agriculture. He is fanatically honest. He really believes that although

America is his country, Russia is his second country, and they should be together. How he feels now, I don't know. SILVERMASTER never produced any important information himself. His wife was just a housewife, photographer, and courier.

SILVERMASTER didn't do anything in the agricultural field, but in 1942 GOLOS convinced him to go into the BEW. He got into the - he was made Division Head of the African European Division, of the BEW. He had a wonderful chance to pick up all sorts of things, you see. What was being done about Spain, all that type of information. He hadn't been there very long when he was chased. He was told that they would have to let him go, and one of his friends sneaked to him a copy of the letter which had been received by his chief in the BEW. It was signed by the head of G-2, and said they had in their files information from the FBI, ONI, and their own files which tended to prove that GREGORY SILVERMASTER was not a loyal citizen. That was in the summer of 1943. Well, all that summer he fought the case, he was going to get a lawyer, and finally he got disgusted and resigned. Later on, after he had resigned, the BEW wrote and reneged on it, and said the charges were nothing at all and they were sorry he left, but did not invite him back. I believe also some one in the War Department wrote him a letter, apologizing.

Then he moved into the Treasury, into the disposal of surplus goods, and last heard of, he was still there. He went into the Treasury in about the spring of 1944.

NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER is described as follows: About 5' 9", broad-shouldered, medium weight, has very close cropped iron-gray hair, wears glasses only when he is reading. He has a rather typical face, hard to describe. It doesn't look Jewish, but Russian. Blue eyes. He has bad asthma. Continually goes around with an atomizer. Mustache like BROWDER's - come to think of it, he looks somewhat like BROWDER. He is 44 or 45 years old. His wife is 42 or 43. He himself I don't think got any material from anybody, because everybody in Washington who came from California in 1935 knew that he was a Communist, and no one trusted him, so he never had any contacts with anyone down there. He is not the one who collects the information. The collector of information is SILVERMAN.

SILVERMASTER is the one who keeps the morale up.

Mrs. SILVERMASTER is 5' 5" or 6", Polish looking face, brown hair, very narrow shoulders, very lean and wiry type, always looks as if she is going to fall apart but is very sturdy. She dresses very well - she's a Baronesse, She is 42 or 43. She is very well liked by everybody

in Washington. Spends most of her time doing work for the Red Cross and other organizations.

CURRIE

They used to know the GREGGS and the HARRY WHITES very well. They move around in the upper brackets, definitely.

GEORGE SILVERMAN I don't know much about. He is supposed to be a phenomenal mathematician. He graduated from Harvard University, and the next I heard of him he was in the Railroad Retirement Board. He is a big guy, about six feet, broad shouldered, unruly dark hair that falls over one eye, and very thick glasses. Round moon face. Looks as though he were scared of his shadow. He is jumpy. I don't know his age, I'd say his early or middle 40's. He moved into the Air Corps as a civilian expert. He is one of these people they have a lot of trouble with, they tell me, because he gets scared. Everybody who knows him in Washington says he's a crackpot. But, nevertheless, he's the one who picked up most of the information from people he happened to know.

CURRIE

He went to Harvard with ~~SMITH~~ or WHITE. He's an American, but he's an old Communist Party member, I believe he has been at least 15 or 20 years in the movement. I don't know how long he has been in Washington. He was a friend of HARRY WHITE and of ~~SMITH~~. ~~SMITH~~ was one of Roosevelt's Brain Trusters, and HARRY WHITE was an assistant to Morgenthau. HARRY WHITE, incidentally, is Jewish. Most of the people mixed up in this are. SILVERMASTER is, HARRY WHITE is, ULLMAN is. Most of your Communists are. I discovered that.

According to SILVERMASTER, a few years before 1941, HARRY WHITE was giving information to the Russians for a brother-in-law of SILVERMAN, who used to come down and pick it up, I think he was in Newark, and the Russians used to give HARRY presents, including a Persian rug. And then, either because the Russian got out of it, or what happened, that connection was somehow broken and was not taken up again until later.

CURRIE

CURRIE, as I said, is just a liberal, maybe on the leftist side. He used to be a professor in Canada. WHITE, I think, knows what he's doing. In the spring of 1944, CURRIE came rushing to SILVERMAN and told him that someone in the American government was on the verge of breaking the Soviet code, they almost had it, and SILVERMAN rushed to SILVERMASTER and he told me about it. Because I remember telling it to BILL, and BILL saying "well, is it a trap or isn't it a trap?" and that's all there was to it.

They've got some other people on the string, but I don't know

who they are. SOL ADLER wrote letters back from China, and he was associated with the Treasury Department, but the letters were harmless. I think he probably gave information to SILVERMAN before he went to China. He hadn't produced anything while I was connected with them. He was one of these people who was an opportunist, and who ever pushed him, he'd go their way. CHUBB, I think he's a Chinese Communist, seems to have been working with ADLER in China. He was working, I think, for the Chinese government.

SONIA GOLD, whose husband was one of the big members of the group of SILVERMASTER. BIL GOLD is a very brilliant person, an economist, working for the FEA, and then I think they were to move him into the Treasury in some high job. SONIA GOLD was either secretary or assistant secretary to HARRY WHITE in the Treasury Department, and WHITE would furnish her information. She used to do a lot of typing for the gang. I don't think she's any longer there. I'm not sure about that. BILL GOLD was one of their most promising members. They were just about to decide to include him in the gang when I left, in September, 1944. How they operate now, I don't know. But as recently as August, they were still in contact with BILL.

They were sworn enemies of this other gang, CHARLIE KRAMER, PERLO, WHEELER, GEORGE, and so on. They were an ex-Communist unit, which I believe used to give information to EARL. I think he finally just turned them over, I don't know. EARL used to give material to GOLOS that he got from some place, and it looked like the same type to me as they later used.

HENRY MAGDOFF was supposedly, I think, in the FEA, but he was sick and couldn't do his job very well, and I think he moved into the Department of Commerce.

Each group knew about the other, but neither one knew who was included in the groups. Neither trusted the other. The second group used to send a representative, usually PERLO, to New York every couple of weeks. Their reports were usually typewritten or written in pencil. Various types of things. PERLO's was mostly airplane production figures. FITZGERALD's material - he rarely produced anything at all, but it was never anything much. WHEELER, in the OSS, used to bring all their reports. The SILVERMASTER group was the more important of the two, no doubt. CHARLES KRAMER was on the Kilgore Committee. I gave the information of both groups first to BILL, then to JACK. AL never took anything. When AL came in, there was no more left.

Beginning from the time I met BILL, he began asking me did I have any access at all to the FBI. I said, "No". He said, "Didn't you tell us that GOLOS had contact with a girl called NADINE REDEKER?" That's her married name. They understood that she had a sister who worked for the

FBI. I said I knew nothing about it, and I had no way of getting ahold of NADINE. They did say to me several months later that they would be able to get ahold of NADINE. I had to send her a box of flowers or something from GOLOS for Christmas, and that's how I remember her name. They told me they were very anxious to get in there, that's one place that's difficult, and they were trying very hard to get in there. Her husband is a rather broken down actor. He is a Communist Party member. He is always fighting with people. NADINE REDEKER was the girl that GOLOS sent into WALDO's office, after I was there. I left there in the spring of 1940. She stayed as WALDO's secretary for almost six months or so. She's a perfect secretary. She's tall and blonde and good looking. From all I could make out, her sister was also a secretary or a clerk in the FBI. I don't know what occupation she had. I think GOLOS kept in contact with NADINE after she left WALDO, and I think he lost contact with her about six months before he died, in the spring of 1943. So in the spring of 1943, the girl was working for the FBI. I don't know whether it was in New York, or where.

PETER F. HELLER I met the last day of April at the St. George. He was sitting beside me, and I was sneezing, and he said, "Why don't you do something about that cold?" We got to talking, and he asked me up for a Scotch, and I said "Yes", and he took to calling me up. First he said he was a lawyer, then an investigator working for the government. Then he asked me where I worked, and I told him. I didn't tell him what we did. He dropped the subject. Then, as I was about to leave the business, he said, "Don't do it, go right back in again". He wouldn't tell me why. He began making all sorts of peculiar cracks, but he began saying, "I am the American OGPU", or that he was an ex Hearst reporter and hated Communists. He claimed not to be Jewish, although I am sure he was. Then he began telling me he was a Federal agent. He said, "I used to be an investigator for a state agency, and when the war came I wanted to get into it, but I'm over 40 and I have two bullet wounds in me and they wouldn't take me in the Army, but I went with a Federal agency and I'm a Federal agent." He said he was doing anti-Nazi work. He said he was the one who broke the ~~REINHOLD~~ KUNZE case.

Then he'd tell me that the FBI had inside investigators working with the ADL, the Anti-Defamation League, because they suspected the ADL of bumping off German Nazis in this country. I thought he must be a Federal agent who was trying to see if I would pass this on. When he said he was a Lithuanian, though, it rather frightened me. I just couldn't figure him out. He posed as being a Federal agent but sometimes he reminded me too much of the Russians.

AL said, "Who are you going out with now?" I said, "A very harmless person." He said, "I don't think so". "I have an idea that he's not so harmless", he said, "What's his name?" I told him. He said, "Sounds bad".

Then he wandered away again. I told him, "He's a lawyer, that's all". Then he began asking more and more who was he and so forth. I said, "I don't know anything about him". He said, "We've heard that the FBI are after us and that somebody is after JOSEPH, and now they are after you, this is a very clever stunt". He worried and worried about it and said Moscow was worried. And then he came back with this report that he was part of the FBI. It all jibed so peculiarly. There was something about it that was awfully funny.

All during July when I came to town I would see him. Finally, he wanted to marry me and so forth. Finally, he took me out for a drive in his car. He started talking and he said, "You know, you have been doing nothing but double-talking me all along". He said, "Well, discount 99 percent of what I tell you, because it just isn't true. He said, "We are very much interested in you". I said "Who is we?" He dodged the question. He said, "You're in serious trouble". I said "Are you going to put me in jail?" He said, "We might". He said, as he looked at the Statue of Liberty, "Look what I've done for the war and what have you done?" He said, "Put yourself in my hands and I'll see that you come out all right". I said, "I think I can take care of myself, PETE". Just before this, I had told him that my business dealt with Russia. Well, he had known it before, obviously.

Well, right on top of that, one night I went up to the Colonel's, and I was really getting worried about him, and I asked him to come and pick me up at the Colonel's house, so the Colonel could get a look at him. When he took me home, I said I was frightened to death of the Russians, and threw a fit of hysterics very beautifully. He shut up, he never said a word after that. The next time I saw him he was very cagy. Since then, he has been very cagy.

Off and on he stays at the Towers, he is well known there. He claims that he is well known in Brooklyn, went to St. John's College, and was campaigning for GOLDSTEIN, and so forth. He uses the name of PETE HELLER. As time wore on, I didn't know what to do, and so finally I called him up and asked him to come in and I told him, "I have this problem. What would you do if you were mixed up in this, like espionage?" and all that sort of stuff. He said "I'd forget about it, that's my unofficial opinion". I said, "What's your official opinion?" He said "Officially, I don't know you". AND the next night he called me on the phone and said, "Are you still suffering from hallucinations?" I said, "What do you mean?" He said, "What you were talking about the other night". I said, "I've forgotten all about that". One thing he did say, he said, "Has it to do with Communist Party members?" He said, "Stop worrying, the Navy will pick them up".

He is known at the Armory, where he is in Company K of the

New York State Guard. He has nothing in his coat pockets which would give him away. The Armory is at 357 Sumner Avenue, in Brooklyn. It drills on Monday and Thursday nights. He wears a combination good conduct medal with 15 years experience as an enlisted man, yet his title, when I called him at the Armory, is Lieutenant HELLER.

He has an office on Broadway, just north of Canal Street, in a very run-down building. It is listed in the phone book under his name. I called up one day and asked to speak to Lieutenant HELLER. She said, "Does he know you?" and I said "Yes". I told her who I was. She went away and came back and said, "We do have a Mr. HELLER here who has a brother who is a lieutenant, but he hasn't been here for some time". I said, "Can you take a message?" and she said, "I don't know if I'll see him". I said, "Tell him to call me". He says that's a cover address, so people won't know his real address. He has a crazy character who drives him around. He wears the same thing in his buttonhole. He fixed my radio for me. He says he has an office in the Federal Building.

I have read this statement consisting of 31 pages & have noted thereon various corrections.

It is true to the best of my recollection.

Elizabeth T. Butler

Edward W Buckley - Special Agent, F.B.I.

T. J. Spencer Special Agent U.S.A.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage activities, it has been reported that Lanchlin Currie, 4863 Potomac Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., phone Emerson 8375, is a member of an espionage ring working with the Soviet Secret Intelligence (NKVD).

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Currie for the purpose of determining the extent of his activities on behalf of the Soviets and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage activities, it has been reported that Donald Wheeler, 6400 MacArthur Boulevard, Brookmont, Maryland, phone OLiver 826, is a member of an espionage ring working with the Soviet Secret Intelligence (NKVD).

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Wheeler for the purpose of determining the extent of his activities on behalf of the Soviets and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents.

Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage it has been reported that Harry D. White, 6810 Fairfax Road, Edgemock, Bethesda, Maryland, phone Wisconsin-5896, is a member of an espionage ring operating under the direction of the Soviet secret intelligence (NKVD).

I recommend the authorization of a technical surveillance on the residence of White for the purpose of determining the extent of his activities in the field of espionage and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage activity it has been reliably reported that A. George Silverman, 2523 Fifteenth Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., telephone Adams 1044, is an important Soviet espionage agent.

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on the residence of Silverman for the purpose of determining the extent of his espionage activities and for the additional purpose of determining the identities of espionage agents.

Respectfully,
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John Edgar Hoover
Director

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In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage activities, it has been reported that Lauchlin Currie, 4863 Potomac Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., phone Emerson 8375, is a member of an espionage ring working with the Soviet Secret Intelligence (NKVD).

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Currie for the purpose of determining the extent of his activities on behalf of the Soviets and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage you have authorized a technical surveillance on the residence of Lanchlin Currie in Washington, D. C. It has now been determined that Currie has moved his residence to 61 East 86th Street, New York City, telephone ATwater 9-8637.

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Currie in New York for the purpose of determining the extent of his activities on behalf of the Soviets and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. O. E. Taylor, Operating Vice President
New York Telephone Company
140 West Street
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Dear Mr. Taylor:

In connection with an investigation relating to violations
of Federal statutes which is being conducted by the Federal Bureau
of Investigation, you are requested to furnish the Federal Bureau of
Investigation at the usual commercial rates leased-line facilities
between the points stated below. (u)

This request is made on the specific authorization of the
Attorney General of the United States for the purpose of obtaining
information relating to violations of Federal statutes. Your
cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated. (u)

It is requested that leased-line facilities be furnished
as follows:

From: 55 East 86th Street, New York City
To: 471 Fourth Avenue, New York City

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. E. E. Conroy
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
234 U. S. Court House, Foley Square
New York 7, New York

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ON 2/4/88

Dear Mr. Conroy:

In conformity with our agreement with the New York Telephone Company, I am attaching a letter to Mr. O. M. Taylor, Operating Vice President of the New York Telephone Company, requesting leased-line facilities for a surveillance on Lauchlin Currie. You should arrange for a representative of your office to present my letter to Mr. Taylor, in accordance with the procedure outlined in my letter of March 2, 1944. (u)

If for any reason you do not utilize this surveillance, the Bureau should be notified in order that its records may be maintained in a current status. (u)

Very truly yours,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL 91610

In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage,
you have heretofore authorized a technical surveillance on the residence of
Lauchlin Currie in New York City.

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Currie's
office, 29 Rector Street, New York City, telephone Bowling 9-3451, listed
to the International Development Company, for the purpose of determining the
extent of his activities on behalf of the Soviets and for the additional
purpose of identifying espionage agents.

Respectfully,

J. E. Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

RE: HARRY MAGDOFF

In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage, it has been reported that Harry Magdoff, 3226 Ravensworth, Alexandria, Virginia, telephone Temple 6387, is engaged in espionage activity for the Soviets.

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Magdoff for the purpose of determining the extent of his activities on behalf of the Soviets and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents.

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Respectfully,
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In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage,
it has been reported that Harry Magdoff, 3226 Ravensworth, Alexandria,
Virginia, telephone Temple 6387, is engaged in espionage activity for the
Soviets.

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Magdoff
for the purpose of determining the extent of his activities on behalf of
the Soviets and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents.

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In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage activity, it has been reported that Alger Hiss, 3210 P Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., phone, Michigan 0611, has been engaged in espionage for the Soviet Secret Intelligence (NKVD).

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Hiss to determine the extent of his activities on behalf of the Soviets and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
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In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage activity, it has been reported that Allan Rosenberg, 6955 Brooks Lane, Brookmont, Maryland, phone, Wisconsin 1131, is engaged in espionage for the Soviet Government.

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Rosenberg for the purpose of determining the extent of his activities on behalf of the Soviets and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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The Washington Field Office advised on December 11, 1945, that on December 9, 1945, Rowena Rommel, a State Department employee who had just returned to this country from Mexico, phoned Robert Talbot Miller, III, and asked him if he had seen the Congressional Record in which her name was mentioned along with those of Service and others. Miller stated that he had heard about it but had not read the Record.

Rowena Rommel said that a newspaper reporter from Providence, Rhode Island, her hometown, had invited her to make a statement. She was advised by Miller to make no statement inasmuch as the item appeared in the Congressional Record over a week previously and that she did not know what kind of statements had been made by Alger Hiss or the others named by Curtis.

Attached for your information is the Congressional Record for November 28, 1945, in which appears on page A5537 the statements by the Honorable Carl T. Curtis of Nebraska on Wednesday, November 28, 1945.

Curtis stated: "The Secretary of State owes it to his country and to his President, who is responsible for our foreign policy, to have the Federal Bureau of Investigation thoroughly investigate such men of his Department as John Service, Alger Hiss, Rowena Rommel, Emile Despres, John Carter Vincent, Abraham H. Teller, Benjamin Gerig, and others and make that record public."

Curtis also called upon the Secretary of State to discharge from the pay roll of the State Department every Communist and near Communist.

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THE DIRECTOR

Mr. D. M. Ladd

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Reference is made to my memorandum dated January 23, 1946, bearing the above caption and setting forth the details of a "smear" campaign against you and the FBI contemplated by Albert Eugene Kahn through the use of an affidavit, dated September 29, 1942, executed by Aleksey Polypenko concerning Father Charles E. Coughlin. You desired to have certain matters clarified concerning the action taken with respect to this affidavit, namely:

1. Did we ever submit to the Department the information submitted by Polypenko in summer of 1941; the affidavit secured from the Anti-Defamation League on October 8, 1942; and the remaining affidavits secured from them on February 25, 1943.
2. Also, when we received information re proposed expose in December, 1944, did we advise Department.

INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY ALEKSEY POLYPERKO
REGARDING FATHER CHARLES E. COUGHLIN ON
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Concerning the first part of your question number 1, please be advised that Special Agent Joseph G. Fellner interviewed Aleksey Polypenko on August 1, 1941, concerning information which he had gathered in the preceding 15 days.

The pertinent portions of this interview dealing with Polypenko's contact with Father Charles E. Coughlin are quoted as follows:

"Informant stated he then spoke with one Heile (phonetic), an attorney and an ex-German consul, at Detroit, Michigan, who has offices at Room 614 Hammond Building, Detroit, Michigan. Informant stated that Heile is presently located in the former location of the German Consulate at Detroit, Michigan, and that Heile is supposed to be taking over the confidential work of the German Consul at Detroit, Michigan. Informant stated that Heile, as well as Reverend Fritz Lindhoff, 1822 West Grand Street, Detroit, Michigan, suggested that Polypenko ought to visit Rev. Charles J. Coughlin at Royal Oak, Michigan. Informant stated that he visited Rev. Coughlin and through the assistance of an interpreter, Father Haber (phonetic), informant talked with Rev. Coughlin. Informant stated that Rev. Coughlin and he talked about general things and Coughlin appeared interested in gathering information against England, and especially the Jews."

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As noted from the above information submitted at this time by Polyenko, it will be seen that he did not submit any material of an evidentiary character. He merely reported a contact with Father Coughlin and a general statement that Father Coughlin appeared interested in gathering information against England and the Jews. In view of this fact and the already known unreliability of Polyenko, there was no reason to make the above material available to the Department as it did not add in any way to what was already known concerning Father Coughlin.

AFFIDAVIT DATED SEPTEMBER 23, 1942, EXECUTED BY ALEKSY POLYENKO FOR THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE

When Arnold Forster of the Anti-Defamation League made Polyenko's affidavit of September 23, 1942, available to the Bureau on October 8, 1942, it was not submitted to the Department at that time since it varied so markedly with the previous information related to a Special Agent of this Bureau on August 1, 1941. It was thought desirable to make inquiries into the circumstances under which this affidavit was executed prior to the making of a decision as to what action should be taken. These inquiries extended over the period from October 8, 1942, until February 24, 1943, when the supposed final copy of this affidavit was received from Arnold Forster of the Anti-Defamation League by the New York Field Office. By the time this came up for action, Supervisor D. A. Flinn had been designated by the Bureau as liaison with Mr. C. John Rogge of the Criminal Division, who was handling the case entitled "U. S. vs. Gerald E. Nierod, et al, Sedition. As reiterated in a memorandum dated November 26, 1942, to Mr. Ladd by the Supervisor, then acting as liaison, a personal discussion was had with Mr. Rogge by Supervisor Flinn concerning Polyenko and specifically the affidavit executed by him on September 23, 1942. At that time it was learned that Mr. Rogge was in the possession of a copy of this affidavit concerning Father Coughlin which apparently had either been directly or indirectly made available to him by the Anti-Defamation League. It was pointed out to Mr. Rogge that Polyenko was highly unreliable as could be viewed in the numerous memoranda which the Bureau had submitted to the Department in an effort to secure action to have Polyenko interned as a dangerous enemy alien and a possible Nazi agent.

Mr. Rogge had raised the question of this affidavit since he thought it could possibly be verified in part; however, on learning of the circumstances surrounding its execution for the Anti-Defamation League for which Polyenko was paid \$300 by this outfit with a "kick-back" of \$100 to W. J. Stepanukowsky, a petty informer also known as unreliable, he indicated that no further action should be taken.

In view of the possession by the Department of a copy of the identical affidavit made available to this Bureau by the Anti-Defamation League, it was not thought either necessary or desirable to again supply it to the Department. This stand was taken at that time since it only amounted to making information available on Polyenko, whom at the same time we were attempting to have interned as a dangerous enemy alien and possible Nazi agent. His unreliability had been reiterated time and time again to the Department. The failure to supply this affidavit was supported further by a stand taken by Mr. Rogge that no action was contemplated on the copy which he possessed.

With further reference to your first question, the affidavit secured from Anti-Defamation League on February 24, 1943, is merely a copy of the affidavit dated September 23, 1942, and supplied to the Bureau by the Anti-Defamation League on October 8,

cious handling. At no time are we on record to Criminal Division of transmitting affidavit. Rogge was not the Asst. A.G. but only a Special Asst. H. "

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ACTION CONCERNING "SMEAR" CAMPAIGN BY KAHN
RECEIVED IN DECEMBER, 1945

Upon receipt of the information concerning the "smear" campaign against you and the FBI from the use of a technical surveillance on the home of Albert Eugene Kahn on December 14, 1945, Mr. D. A. Flinn prepared a memorandum addressed to you for your information only; however, at that time, the question of publicity was only in the discussion stage between Kahn and Seldes with Kahn's recommendation to Seldes that the latter consider such an article and consult his attorneys for his own protection against future libel suits. It was our conclusion at that time that there should be no distribution of the information to the Department until something more specific was received that publicity was actually going to ensue and we felt that our various coverages should give us that information with leeway for appropriate action. *24*

ACTION

1. There is attached hereto a memorandum to Assistant Attorney General T. L. Candler of the Criminal Division giving him the full facts concerning the alleged "smear" campaign contemplated by Kahn and his associates on the Department of Justice with a request for advice immediately as to what, if any, action is desired by this Bureau.

2. As you will recall, no details are now available concerning the identity of the station, the sponsors, or the date of the broadcast in which Kahn intends to initiate instant "smear" campaign. The New York Office is presently endeavoring to ascertain this information, and immediately upon its receipt, it will be supplied to you. *24*

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DIRECTOR'S NOTATION:

This whole matter as handled in the Security Div. is an acme of inefficiency & inexcusable carelessness. H.

This is the most absurd conclusion I ever heard. In other words not even advise Dept. & protect Bureau's interest until after the storm broke publicly. H.

I don't understand how it is tenable to deprecate the affidavit on grounds of Pelypenko's unreliability

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RE: ROBERT TALBOTT MILLER, III

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Information from Elizabeth Merrill Bentley indicates that the captioned individual, while President of the Hemisphere News Service in New York, furnished information and copies of his publication "Hemisphere" to her organization. After moving to Washington and becoming affiliated with the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, he furnished the contents of secret government reports, including those from the Bureau. According to the informant, he has furnished no information since entering the State Department in 1944.

A search of the Bureau files reflects that Miller was born April 5, 1910, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He remained in the United States until August, 1934, residing at Baltimore, Maryland, Boston, Massachusetts, and New York City. No information has been developed concerning his education or his activities during this period, although he apparently became a newspaper reporter by profession.

On August 29, 1934, he left the United States arriving in Moscow, Russia, September 12, 1934, allegedly for a visit. However, while there he obtained employment as correspondent for the Chattanooga, Tennessee, News and remained in the Soviet Union until June, 1937. While there he was married on December 3, 1935, to Jenny Levy, an American-born employee of the Academy of Sciences in Moscow. According to the informant, it was during his residence in Moscow that Miller became interested in Communist philosophy.

From June, 1937, to August, 1938, Miller and his wife resided in Paris, France, their address during at least a portion of this time being 7 Square de la Bordogne. Their first son, Robert Talbott Miller, IV, was born October 30, 1937, at Neuilly-s-Seine, France. His employment in France was evidently also that of a newspaperman, probably with Reuters Agency of London.

From October, 1939, to September, 1941, Miller resided in Knickerbocker Village, #10 Monroe Street, New York City, and was President of the Hemisphere News Service as well as editor of the weekly publication "Hemisphere" printed by that Service.

On September 11, 1941, Miller and his family moved to Washington, D.C., and took up residence at 3060 Porter Street, N.W. They remained at this address until October 11, 1944, when they purchased their present home located at 3223 Northampton Street, N.E., Washington, D. C. Miller came to

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Washington as an analyst for the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, Department of Commerce, at an annual salary of \$6,580 and later became Director of the Division of Reports of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs. In July, 1944, he transferred to the State Department. Since then he has been assigned to the Near Eastern Division of the State Department handling confidential matters pertaining to relations between the United States and the Soviet Union.

In January 10, 1945, Miller became seriously ill, apparently with pneumonia, and spent some time in the Garfield Hospital in Washington. Following this illness, he left Washington February 12, 1945, spending several weeks recuperating with his parents at Mountain Lake Club, Lake Wales, Florida.

As will be noted hereafter, many of Miller's contacts are extremely suspicious, several of them being known members of the Communist Party. However, he has been careful to avoid any personal connection with Communist matters and no evidence was located in the Bureau files tending to show any Communist affiliation. *q(u)*

Robert Talbot Miller, III, is described as follows:

Age	35
Born	April 5, 1910, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Height	5'11"
Weight	185 lbs.
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Scars	Right forefinger and right eyebrow
Characteristics	Wears brown mustache; wears heavy-rimmed glasses
Marital Status	Married December 3, 1935, to Jenny Levy
Residence	3223 Northampton Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.
Passport	#2673 Boston Series issued August 2, 1934, Washington, D.C.

Relatives

Miller's wife, Jenny (or Jennie) Levy was born July 19, 1906, in New York City, her father being Charles Levy, a native of Brest Litovsk,

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Poland, now deceased. She was issued Passport #74017 on April 4, 1932, and resided in Russia until 1937 when she accompanied Miller to France. She was married to him in the American Embassy at Moscow on December 3, 1935. Her employment in the Soviet Union was with the Academy of Sciences. The Millers have three children, and Mrs. Miller has apparently done no outside work since their return to the United States, although she was nominally Secretary of the Hemisphere News Service. During 1945, however, she indicated to friends that she was thinking of accepting a position with the Research Section of the CIO, Brentano Book Store, or in the office of Dr. Ludwig Rajchman, a member of the Polish Supply Mission and Polish Representative of UNRRA. She decided against the CIO position because of her husband's position with the State Department, and a strictly confidential report of July 21, 1945, indicates that Dr. Rajchman expressed some doubt as to whether he should employ her because of her residence in Russia, and because of her husband's State Department connections. While not known to have Communist affiliations, she appears to be much more sympathetic to the Communist Party than her husband and is more open in her "Leftist" remarks.

It was indicated

Mrs. Miller has a sister, Florence Levy, who resided at one time at 38 Park Road, New York City, but is presently in Washington, D. C. She was employed for a time by the War Department, but in February, 1945, was reported to be employed in the Political Section of the Office of Inter-American Affairs with offices in the State Department. She is in frequent telephonic contact with the Millers and spends considerable time in the Miller's home. On December 10, 1944, an unidentified woman asked if she intended going to a discussion of "America and the New Europe" to be held that evening by the Communist Political Association at 1015 M Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. She replied that she and the Millers knew the speaker (Joseph Starebin, Foreign News editor of the Communist Daily Worker) and hinted that she would attend the meeting.

Mrs. Miller has a brother, Sol Levy, who resides in Syracuse, New York, and is in contact with her occasionally.

Robert Talbot Miller, Jr., father of subject of this memorandum, is a native of Kentucky and a retired physician of some means. He is a graduate of John Hopkins University, and at one time was a Professor in that institution specializing in tuberculosis surgery. He and his wife spend their summers in Sudbury, Massachusetts, and their winters at Mountain Lake Club, Lake Wales, Florida. He has a speaking and translating knowledge of Russian, and in early 1945

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began doing translation work for the American Review of Soviet Medicine. Mrs. Miller III gave him a subscription to this magazine for Christmas of 1944. In May, 1945, attempts were being made to secure books in Russian for his use in bettering his reading and translating ability.

Subject Miller has two brothers, Major J. H. Miller, and Hinto E. Miller, one being a doctor in Boston, Massachusetts, and the other is a graduate of Princeton University in 1939. Major J. H. Miller has Army Serial #0-374092 and at one time was assigned to the Army Air Corps. In May, 1945, Hinto Miller was scheduled to work at the Army Institute, Washington, D. C.

Subject Miller also has a brother-in-law, Lieutenant Colonel Hamilton Robinson, who prior to 1940 was connected with the law firm Sullivan and Cromwell, 48 Wall Street, New York City. He was then Attorney for the British Purchasing Commission in Washington and is presently on duty with the Army Services of Supply at the War Department. He resides at 1300 "O" Street, N.W. He is also known as Max and Hamel.

Hemisphere News Service

The Hemisphere News Service was incorporated under the laws of New York September 25, 1939, with an authorized capital of \$25,000 and an actual capital of \$9,000. Robert T. Miller, III, was President, Jack Bradley Faby, Vice President and Treasurer, and Jennie Miller, Secretary. The organization maintained headquarters from July 1, 1940, to August 30, 1941, at 154 Nassau Street, New York City, Room 1003. Its principal activity was the publication of a weekly news bulletin pertaining to economic and financial matters in Latin America, Canada, and Alaska. This bulletin was known as "Hemisphere," and sold for \$12.00 yearly. Robert Miller, III, was the editor of the publication. While primarily factual in content, these bulletins were said to incline toward a leftist impression. The first issue appeared November 7, 1939.

In September, 1941, the Hemisphere News Service was moved to Washington, D. C., and became the Export Information Bureau, Incorporated, with offices in the Washington building. The concern was managed by Joseph E. Gregg and devoted its time exclusively to research work for the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs under a yearly contract of some \$18,000. Jack Faby allegedly left the organization six months before it moved to Washington, and at the time of the moving Miller became a Research Analyst with the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs. The organization was subsequently absorbed into the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, having offices in Room 7876, Department of Commerce Building.

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Jack Bradley Faby, Vice President of the Hemisphere Company, was a veteran of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade in the Spanish Civil War and a former newspaperman. In the Communist Daily Worker of October 17, 1938, he published an article renouncing his membership in the Socialist Party which he accused of damaging the cause of the Spanish people. He has been reported to be a Communist, but some informants state that he is more accurately a "Left Wing Radical." He was last reported to be residing at 1040 11st Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., and an employee of the United States Department of Interior.

Joseph B. Gregg, manager of "Hemisphere," was born May 2, 1909, in Columbus, Ohio, and is married to Rose Jeff Gregg. In April, 1943, he was reported to be residing at 6829 Pines Branch Road, N.W., Washington, D. C., and was a Political Advisor and Analyst in the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs. He is in close contact with subject Miller and is believed to be identical with the Gregg described by informant Bentley. At one time, he was attempting to have himself appointed to the Inter-Departmental Committee for Joint Economic Reports. (W)

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Finances

Since December 31, 1937, subject Miller has maintained an account in the Chemical Bank and Trust Company, 165 Broadway, New York City. He also maintained an account there under the name of the Hemisphere Corporation. Miller's accounts averaged about \$100 and were always below the minimum of \$500 required by the Bank. However, Miller was well regarded by the Bank and numerous overdrafts were approved by one William E. French, an Assistant Vice President. This consideration may have been due to the fact that Miller's father maintained custodial accounts in that bank in his own name with \$20,000 to the credit of subject Miller, \$65,000 to the credit of J. H. Miller, and \$32,000 to M. H. Miller. The Bank subscribed to the "Hemisphere" for the use of its Foreign Department. In September, 1941, an inquiry was received by the Bank from the Riggs National Bank of Washington, D.C., signed by Halbert T. Biscalle, Vice President. This inquiry indicated that Miller wished to borrow \$3,000 on the strength of a contract between the Hemisphere Corporation and the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs. Miller was apparently unable to procure such a loan from the Riggs National Bank, and during the same month the Chemical Bank and Trust Company granted the \$3,000 loan on the basis of his personal guarantee. As of November, 1944, the Security Department of the Chemical Bank and Trust Company held the following securities for Miller:

200 shares of dividend, Shares Incorporated, par value 25¢
15 shares common stock, Ohio Oil Corporation

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3 shares preferred stock, American Cyanide Company
25 shares U.S. Steel, common
25 shares Reynolds Tobacco Company
20 shares common stock, Anaconda Copper Company,
Commercial Investment Trust Company, Federated
Department Stores, and Phillips Petroleum
15 shares preferred, Great Northern Railway
15 shares common, Northern Natural Gas
15 shares, Saint Joseph Lead Company
10 shares, Standard Brands, Union Carbide and Carbon,
and the United Shoe Machinery Corporation
30 shares common, Dairy Products

On December 19, 1939, Miller opened a safe-deposit box with the Chemical Safe Box Company, 165 Broadway, New York City, but closed the box June 20, 1944.

During the time he has resided in Washington, Miller has apparently maintained checking accounts at branches of the Riggs National Bank and the City Bank nearest his residence.

Contacts with Bureau

At the request of Joseph E. Shannon, member of the House of Representatives, United States Congress, on August 1, 1937, Mr. Robert Miller and party were given a tour of the Bureau's facilities on August 10, 1937.

At the request of John F. Hunter, member of the House of Representatives, United States Congress, July 11, 1938, Mr. Robert Miller and party were given a tour of the Bureau's facilities on July 8, 1938.

At the request of John W. Gwynne, member of the House of Representatives, United States Congress, on May 10, 1939, Mr. Robert T. Miller and party were given a tour of the Bureau's facilities on May 11, 1939.

There is no indication as to whether any or all of these groups may be identified with subject Miller. (94-2-4884, 11611, 16813)

In December, 1941, Robert T. Miller, Director, Division of Reports, Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, conferred with Assistant Director B. M. Ladd of the Bureau in an effort to arrange with the Bureau for investigating several individuals and organizations for the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs. Following this conference on December 22, 1941, Miller directed a request to the Bureau for an investigation on the ar-

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organization called the "Society for Pan-American Confederation."
As a result of this request, several reports from the New York and Washington Field Offices were directed to Mr. Nelson A. Rockefeller of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs.

On February, 1942, former Special Agent Jerry Doyle conferred with Secretary of Navy Frank Knox and Undersecretary James V. Forrestal preliminary to making a trip in Latin America. Thereafter, at the request of Mr. Forrestal, Doyle had lunch with John Mitze, a former employee of Mr. Forrestal, then assistant to Milo Perkins. Mitze was accompanied by Robert Miller, who was described as being in charge of intelligence for the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs. Mitze explained that he brought Miller to lunch since Miller provided intelligence reports to both the NSN and the CIAA, which reports were prepared from information supplied him by the Bureau, GHI, and G-2. Miller was said to have been very complimentary of the Bureau's work, stating that our reports from Latin America had improved considerably in quantity and quality recently.
(64-4104-133)

On March 6, 1942, Robert Miller of CIAA had lunch with F. C. Holloman, then Chief of the SIS Division of the Bureau, at which time Miller was very complimentary of the Bureau's work in Latin America.
(62-61140-13X)

On March 17, 1942, Robert F. Miller, Director, Division of Reports, CIAA, answered a Bureau inquiry directed to Mr. Nelson A. Rockefeller.
(64-2704-A-1259)

Contacts

On February 10, 1941, and again on February 24, 1941, a man and a woman contacted J. M. Sales, one of the principal subjects of this investigation, now deceased, at Paddy's Club House, 215 West 34th Street, New York City. After each meeting these individuals proceeded to Snickerbocker Village, #10 Monroe Street, New York City. It was subsequently ascertained by the New York Office that the man who contacted Sales was Robert F. Miller, operator of "The Hemisphere," who resided at #10 Monroe Street, New York City. (61-6328-10 pages 26 & 27 Serial #12; page 51)

Technical coverage of Miller on August 16, 1944, revealed that he was acquainted with a Mr. Silvermaster and mentioned that individual to Jack Roth. It is believed that this reference is to Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, a prominent subject in this case who has been employed by several government agencies and was last said to be affiliated with the Surplus Property Division of the Treasury Department. During the summer of 1945, Mrs. Miller asked an acquaintance, Peggy Greenfield, whether she

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had met the Silvermasters. Miss Greenfield indicated that she had and know all about them. It was evident that Mrs. Miller was also well acquainted with the Silvermasters. Mrs. Miller has been in contact with and has received money from a Mr. Chambers of China Defense Supplies, Washington, D. C.

Miller and his wife are in very close contact with Palageya (or Falia) Nabitki, a native of Russia, who was at one time interned by the Russians as a political prisoner and exchanged to the United States in 1941 for Gail B. Gvukimian, who was head of the Soviet espionage organization in the United States from 1934 to his arrest in 1941 as an unregistered agent of a foreign principal. Her husband, Herman Kallmann, Nabitki, is likewise extremely close to the Millers, having advised the Civil Service Commission on one occasion that Miller was one of his closest friends. Nabitki has been in Europe, principally, Paris, France, since September, 1944, as a representative of the Foreign Economic Administration.



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One Ed Stevens, a writer who returned from Moscow during the summer of 1944, is reported to have been very friendly with the Millers as well as Herman and Falia Nabitki.

Winifred Widener, a resident of New York, was in Washington, D.C., in late 1944 and early 1945, in an attempt to secure employment with ~~United Press~~, the Federated Press, or the American Red Cross. In the spring of 1945, she indicated that she was unsuccessful and that she would return to New York. During her residence in Washington, she was in constant contact with Mrs. Miller and resided at 1515 20th Street, N.W. Mrs. Miller has been in contact with Travis L. Hedrick, Washington correspondent for Federated Press. He was formerly a member of the Oil Workers Union. Both he and Federated Press are believed to be Communistically inclined.

Margaret (Peggy) Greenfield, an economic writer and assistant chief of the Progress Reporting Branch, Division of Research, CPA, has been in constant contact with the Millers, particularly Mrs. Miller. She was formerly employed by the Railroad Retirement Board and is considered a Communist, although she denies such affiliation. She is on the mailing list of the Communist-dominated bookshop and is reported to have been an active Communist in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1930, during which time she contributed to the Communist paper "Daily Worker."

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On one occasion, a Mr. Zagorsky contacted Mrs. Miller requesting her assistance in securing an appointment through her contacts in the State Department. He indicated that he was friendly with Solomon Trane. *QW*

X The Millers are very friendly with Solomon and Florence Trane. Trane is a man about seventy years of age, spent considerable time with the General Electric Company in Russia, and was recently in the Soviet Union as a representative of the Reparations Committee. He was one of the sponsors of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship.

X Duncan Aikman and his wife, Leenie, of the Valley Vista Apartments, Belmont Road and Ashwood Place, N.W., are friendly with the Millers. Aikman has been employed by the CIAA. Both are interested in Russian War Relief and are in contact with known Communists. They have been dinner guests at the Miller home.

Another contact of the Millers is Dr. Nathan Halfgett. He is a Russian doctor and a reported Communist. *QW*

Mrs. Miller is friendly with Alice Rain or Raine of the Evans Product Company, Washington, D. C. Her husband, Philip, was in the United States Army in Europe. Mrs. Rain is the daughter of German parents, Fritz and Malvig Weiss, and was born in China. She became a United States citizen in 1939. She was married to Philip Rain in 1935 in Montevideo, Uruguay, and was once a translator for the Federal Communications Commission. *Raines*

A friend of Mrs. Miller is Sybilla Skidelsky, an employee of the NPS and stepdaughter of Dr. Jose Antonio Simchi, Portuguese Minister to Washington.

The Millers are friendly with Jack and Marjorie Roth. Both has attempted to secure European positions with the State Department, UNRRA, and FEA, and in March, 1945, was reported to be in Cairo, Egypt.

Theodore Baker, writer of the book "Forty Days in Paris," is a friend of the Millers.

A Miss Sweeney, a former research employee of the "Time" magazine, now head of the Research Division of a government agency, possibly the State Department, is a contact of the Millers.

Sylvia Wild is in frequent contact with Mrs. Miller. Her husband, Nathaniel, is a civilian employee of the government in Europe.

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X Olga and Benjamin Margolin are likewise close friends of the Millers. He was formerly a Research Consultant and Law Librarian for the Honorable Stanley M. Feld in the District Attorney's office in New York City. He has been recently employed by the office of Inter-American Affairs. In September, 1944, during a telephone conversation, subject Miller took Margolin to task for questioning him over the telephone. Miller told him to bear in mind from where Miller was talking. Margolin has recently been employed in the State Department, but has been fearful of applying for foreign assignment since his father, mother, and wife were born in Russia. (u)

X The Millers are quite friendly with Maurice and Edith Halperin. Halperin was born in Boston, is a graduate from Harvard University, and taught in the University of Oklahoma from 1929 to 1941, when he was dismissed for alleged Communist activities. He has been employed as a Social Service Analyst in the Office of the Coordinator of Information.

X Another close friend is Dorothy Halperin, a former New Yorker, now in charge of preparing the Soviet Information Bulletin in Washington, D.C.

John and Susan Hazard - They have resided in Washington, D. C., since 1941, coming from New York, and Mr. Hazard has been an employee of the Foreign Economic Administration.

Paul and Hilde or Hildegarda Ehn - These individuals came to Washington from New York and Mr. Ehn also known as Peter Anders has been a civilian employee of the Office of Strategic Services. They reside at 2115 "R" Street, S.E., Washington. (100-310760)

Mrs. Ethel Ely Patterson, President of the International Seed Company. She traveled in Europe in the spring of 1945, apparently on business for herself and USRA.

J. H. Randolph (Randy) Paltos - This individual was formerly employed by the Times Picayune Publishing Company of New Orleans and was Assistant to the President of Tulane University until 1941. He has been employed by the Wartime Health and Education Committee under Senator Pepper and has been associated with the industrialist, Henry Kaiser. There are indications that he has been affiliated with the Political Action Committee of the CIO. (100-298705)

Jerry Asquith or Askwith - She is believed to be identical with Edna Jerry A. Askwith, an employee of the CIAA. She was Secretary to Duncan Aikman.

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Jane Hetchins, an employee of the CIAA, has been a dinner guest of the Millers. She has resided at 1801 16th Street, N.W., and is possibly identical with an individual of the same name mentioned in connection with the Washington Book Shop Association, a Communist-dominated group.

X Charles Sidney Flate was employed in the Blackside and Supply Branch of the OGN and later the FIA. He resigned from the government service and went to San Francisco, California, about July 14, 1945.

X John Paul Helen Mursalka and Milada Mursalka - Mursalka was employed in the American Embassy in Moscow 1944 and 1945. His wife is a native of Czechoslovakia, naturalized United States citizen, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 1937. He is reported to have been dismissed from the OGN for Communist tendencies.

and was part-time manager of Russian War Relief in Pittsburgh. He has also worked in the Library of Congress in Washington. His wife has been employed by the Foreign Broadcast Intelligence Service in Washington. (S) b1

Sam and Rose Raffles - He is reported to be a nephew of Gertrude Stein, a prominent writer, and resides on a farm near Cockeysville, Maryland. He is apparently connected with the University of Maryland. He is said to be an expert in agricultural matters and has attempted to secure employment with the United States Department of Agriculture.

Helen Price - This individual, the wife of Bronson Price, has been a visitor in the Miller home. Her husband has been interested in the "Union Now" movement.

Hannah Goldman is an acquaintance of Mrs. Miller and formerly worked for the Russian Purchasing Commission. Hausen

Mr. Hampton, an acquaintance of Mrs. Miller, is believed to be identical with Halder Hanson, 1341 Prospect Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., a former employee of the Associated Press in Chicago and China, who is said to be doing special work for the Federal Government. The Hansons have been dinner guests of the Millers.]K

X Robert Magidoff, Moscow correspondent for the National Broadcasting Company, is a friend of the Millers and about May, 1944, took a letter from Mrs. Miller to a Rosie Prokuffia in Moscow. Mrs. Miller later received a reply to this letter, apparently by a courier who posted it in Toronto, Canada. This letter indicated that Rosie is employed by the (S) (u)

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Moscow News. She inquired of Mrs. Miller concerning Joe Brulia, Elia Finkelberg, Sam and Rose Ruffles, and Dorothy Koon. [Dorothy Koon has been reported to be an agent of the Cheka forerunner of the Soviet Intelligence Agency, NKVD and is the wife of a Soviet agent said to be in the United States.]

Myra Lewis - This individual is a Russian citizen married to James Lewis, a former employee of the American Embassy in Moscow, now in the United States Army. She was also known as Alexandra Pavlovna Lewis.

Dr. Henry Arthur Callis and Myra Callis have been dinner guests of the Millers. Callis is a colored physician and is employed in the Medical School at Howard University in Washington. He and his wife are sponsors of the National Negro Congress.

Dr. Edward Franklin Frasier, head of the Department of Sociology at Howard University, Washington, D. C. He was one of thirty-five negroes who signed a letter urging that Earl Browder be released from the Atlanta Penitentiary.

Dr. Huse Wherton Young and Ruth P. Young - Dr. Young is an instructor in the Medical School at Howard University.

Dr. J. Falkowski - This individual was head of the Polish News Agency, Polpress, in New York, and is registered with the United States government as an agent of a foreign principal. He is listed in the book "The Red Network" by Elizabeth Billing as a Radical.

On December 7, 1944, Florence Levy, sister of Mrs. Miller, told the latter that if she got a big package from Molanus she was not to say anything about it. This individual may be identical with George Molanus, an acquaintance of Mrs. Miller who was refused permission by the State Department to make a trip to Italy. He is said to be employed by the Seaman's Service, and that at one time he resided in Russia.

Joseph Starobin - This individual, a prominent Communist in New York and foreign editor of the Daily Worker, was reported by Florence Levy to be a friend of the Millers.

Thomas and Florence Besier - Mrs. Besier was a member of the Washington Book Shop, a Communist-dominated organization, and her name appeared in the indices of the American Peace Mobilization. Her husband was listed on the official Red List of the American Newspaper Guild, CIO.

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Dora Esperanza Maceo was formerly employed by Miller in the Hemingway Corporation and was later in the American Embassy in Santiago, Chile. The Daily Worker for August 15, 1938, indicated that Dora Maceo, a journalist, had just graduated from a course in Marxism at the Workers School. She was recommended by Miller for a position in the OHL in 1942.

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Archibald Macleish was a superior of Miller in the State Department and telephoned concerning Miller during his illness in January, 1945.

William Clyde Dunn, a contact of the Millers, is an employee of the State Department and working in the Middle East Division. He may be identical with one William C. Dunn of Chicago, who in 1940 signed a Communist Party petition for the State of Illinois. (u)

Duncan and Jessie Bowman - Mrs. Bowman is believed to be employed by the National Geographic Society.

Howard Melvin Fast is a close contact of New York Communists and an employee of the United States Army Morale Service Division, New York City. Previously he was with the Overseas Branch of OHL. (u)

Jack and Marsha Scott of Greenwich Village, New York, were acquaintances of Shura Lewis in Moscow. Scott has written books on Europe and has contacted members of the FIA, the State Department, [redacted] (u) b1

Samuel J. and Della Rodman - They reside near Alexandria, Virginia, and Mrs. Rodman is a Communist key figure, having been a member of the Finance and Executive Committee of the Communist Political Association. Her husband operates Henderson's Grill in Washington and has numerous Communist contacts. (u) (100-278050)

Ervin Bates, an employee of the War Relocation Commission, is an acquaintance of Mrs. Miller.

Ruth Grubert - An acquaintance of Mrs. Miller is possibly identical with Ruth Grubert who wrote "Adventures of a Foreign Correspondent" and "I Went to the Soviet Arctic." This individual was a Communist in California.

Lieutenant Commander Albert Elias Leo Wolfe was a Reserve Officer on duty with the United States Navy until September, 1945, when he was released and went to Cambridge, Massachusetts. He is a native of West Virginia and practiced law in Boston.

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X Charles Albert Page - Page is a close contact of Mr. and Mrs. Miller and is an employee of State Department. He has been under investigation by the Bureau since 1944, due to alleged connections with Soviet agents. In May, 1944, Miller's address was in Page's address book. (100-334331) u

X Mister Wood and Julia Bern Wood - Wood, an employee of the Latin American Division of the State Department, gave Miller as a reference when securing employment in the State Department. Wood is under investigation by the Bureau because of alleged Communist and Soviet connections. His former wife, Julia Bern, is a daughter of Julius Kainan, a prominent subject in the Comrap investigation. (100-337793)

Pro. Kuzierski is a contact of Mrs. Miller and has a brother-in-law in Moscow. u

Mrs. Anne B. Calnan is connected with the Committee for Constitutional Rights in Richmond, Virginia, and is on the Communist Party mailing list. She is a contact of Mrs. Miller. u

Rosena Rommel is a friend of the Millers, who agreed to allow his brother, Minto Miller to reside in an apartment held by her. She is from Providence, Rhode Island, and her husband is a Lieutenant in the United States Navy. She is employed by the State Department.

One Willard, a liaison man between the FIA and UMSA in England, is a friend of Mr. Miller.

Dorothea Egan, mentioned above as a reported Soviet agent and wife of ~~Arthur E. Egan~~, a Soviet Agent in the United States, is a friend of Mrs. Miller. (100-331280)

Miss Gullander, Secretary to Mr. Eason of the Chinese Defense Supplies, is a contact of Mrs. Miller. u

Major Duninville is an old friend of Mrs. Miller. u

One Sarate is said to have told Dr. Nathan Halfgott, a Russian doctor and Communist contact of Mr. and Mrs. Miller, that he knew the Millers in Moscow and that he recently returned from that city. Halfgott explained that he had worked for the Martin News Agency in Moscow. Mrs. Miller could not recall that she knew such a person.

X Mr. Eugene Jasinski, Spokesman for the American Polish Labor Council, was in contact with Mr. Miller while in Washington, D.C. in January, 1945. In November, 1945, he was reported to be employed by the Polish Supply Mission in Washington, was said to be a member of the Communist Party, and a contact of Oscar Lange, present Polish Envoy to the United States, who renounced his United States citizenship to take that position.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

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In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage, it has been determined that Olga Borisovna Pravdina, who resides at 125 Riverside Drive, New York, New York, telephone number RAdicott 2-3635, is an espionage agent.

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Pravdina for the purpose of determining the extent of her activities and for the additional purpose of identifying other espionage agents.

Respectfully,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Mr. E. K. Conroy
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
234 U. S. Court House, Foley Square
New York 7, New York

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DATE 9-7-83

Dear Mr. Conroy:

In conformity with our agreement with the New York Telephone Company, I am attaching a letter to Mr. O. M. Taylor, Operating Vice President of the New York Telephone Company, requesting leased-line facilities for a surveillance on Olga Borisovna Pravdina. You should arrange for a representative of your office to present my letter to Mr. Taylor, in accordance with the procedure outlined in my letter of March 2, 1944.

If for any reason you do not utilize this surveillance, the Bureau should be notified in order that its records may be maintained in a current status.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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New York Telephone Company
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Dear Mr. Taylor:

In connection with an investigation relating to violations of Federal statutes which is being conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, you are requested to furnish the Federal Bureau of Investigation at the usual commercial rates leased-line facilities between the points stated below.

This request is made on the specific authorization of the Attorney General of the United States for the purpose of obtaining information relating to violations of Federal statutes. Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

It is requested that leased-line facilities be furnished as follows:

From: 125 Riverside Drive, New York City
To: 471 Fourth Avenue, New York City

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

DATE: March 7, 1946

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT:

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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Director, FBI

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ON 2/9/86

Dear Sir:

As a result of a mail cover placed on CEDRIC HENNING BELFRAGE, one of the subjects in the above-captioned case, mail was recently received by BELFRAGE with the following return addresses:

A. J. Aronson O-1267139
68 71st D.I.S.C.C.
APO 758 c/o Postmaster, NYC

Ernest W. Adler
68 71st D.I.S.C.C.
APO 758 c/o Postmaster, NYC

Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that the symbol 68 71st D.I.S.C.C. has no connection with any branch in their organization to their knowledge.

For the information of the Bureau, BELFRAGE reportedly indicated he has two Communists in his outfit in Germany and he needed both of them.

It is requested that the Bureau ascertain the meaning of symbol 68 71st D.I.S.C.C. so that the records of the appropriate agency may be examined to identify A. J. Aronson and Ernest W. Adler. It is further requested that the Bureau indices be examined in an effort to identify these individuals.

Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy 65-5642-583

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cc: Mr. Harney

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. EDW. A. TAMM

DATE: 2/26/46

FROM : Mr. D. M. Ladd

Call: 3:15 P.M.

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At the above time ASAC C. E. Hennrich called and advised of the following conversation between Ann White and Frances (believed to be Frances L. Edelstein, who is a friend of Ann White).

The two women gossiped for some time and then Ann said to Frances, "Incidentally Frances I won't say anything more but it looks like I'm stuck here in Washington. It looks like the dreams that I had are shattered, all quite collapsed. I think Harry is in for an awful lot of frustration."

Frances: "Is he not going to be made Executive Director?"

Ann: "Uh huh. Just a minute, please. We are on the telephone Frances. All I am saying is that I think he is in for a great deal of frustration."

Frances: "Would the man he is working for be responsible?"

Ann: "Now I am not going to talk about it, Frances."

Frances: "Well, I am sorry to hear about it."

Ann: "Well, I am too, but it isn't.....of course, it isn't certain but I think the chances are extremely slim and changes will come of one sort or another. I'm really afraid we are going to get stuck in Washington."

The two women then engaged in personal chatter and Frances advised that she is really glad that Ann is going to stay in Washington because of their friendship. Frances said she didn't like to see Harry be frustrated.

Ann: "Well, he is going to get it I am very much afraid, but at least he will have this satisfaction, that it isn't going to get me down. It is not going to get me down because this is a capitalist system. This is a manifestation of the capitalist system and it isn't going to beat me."

Frances: "No, darling, don't let it."

Ann: "As I always told you, I was meant to be a poor man's wife."

Then Frances mentions that her mother took the 3:00 P.M. train and they discuss other matters.

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FROM NEWARK 3-13-46 10-08 PM EST JFG

DIRECTOR AND SACS U R G E N T

NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS., ETAL. DR. ABRAHAM WOLFSON, WAS.

ESPIONAGE R. INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT WOLFSON PLANS TO VISIT GIRL
FRIEND SALLY TAYMOR, SIX NINE TWO EIGHT PAXTON AVENUE, CHICAGO, ILL,
OVER WEEKEND. HE WILL LEAVE NEW YORK EIGHT AM MARCH FIFTEEN NEXT VIA
AMERICAN AIRLINES, ARRIVING CHICAGO ELEVEN AM SAME DATE. HE PLANS TO
RETURN MARCH EIGHTEEN NEXT, LEAVING CHICAGO EIGHT NAUGHT
FIVE PM, FLIGHT EIGHT, VIA UNITED AIRLINES. INFORMATION ALSO RECEIVED
THAT WOLFSON WILL BE MARRIED IN CHICAGO MARCH THIRTYONE NEXT AND WILL
PROCEED TO WASHINGTON FROM WHERE HE WILL TAKE TRAIN TO OGLETHORPE HOTEL.
NEAR SAVANNAH, GEORGIA. HE PLANS TO SPEND TWO WEEKS AT OGLETHORPE
HOTEL. WHILE IN WASHINGTON HE WILL VISIT ONE WHITE, BELIEVED TO BE
HARRY ~~WHITE~~ DEXTER WHITE, SIX EIGHT ONE ZERO FAIRFAX ROAD, BETH-
ESDA, MARYLAND, TELEPHONE WISCONSIN SIX EIGHT NINE SIX, AND SAM
MILLER, THREE SEVEN ZERO ZERO MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE NW, WASHINGTON, DC,
TELEPHONE ORDWAY TWO NINE NINE ONE. NO FURTHER DETAILED INFORMATION
CONCERNING WOLFSON-S HONEYMOON TRIP PRESENTLY AVAILABLE. ATTENTION
WASHINGTON FIELD CALLED TO PROPOSED CONTACTS OF WOLFSON WHILE IN WASH-
INGTON, DC. BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER SPOT CHECK SUR-
VEILLANCE OF WOLFSON DURING HIS VISIT CHICAGO THIS NEXT
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cc - New York (By Mail)
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD

FROM : J. K. MUMFORD

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Mr. Joseph F. Carroll, War Assets Corporation, called with regard to the subject matter of his memorandum to the Director of March 14, 1946, concerning N. Gregory Silvermaster. Mr. Carroll stated there will be two other individuals with key positions in that unit above Silvermaster and possibly a third, who would be over the other two. Mr. Carroll stated when the identity of the third person is ascertained, they will have to have a thorough check made on his background, etc., and he inquired if we would be willing to make the check. He also stated he will furnish us identifying data concerning each of the other two men if we desire it.

I advised Mr. Carroll I would take this up here and advise him before he took any action at WAC.

Mr. Carroll stated he did not feel that a "complete" investigation would be necessary, but asked if the Bureau would conduct sufficient inquiries to give reasonable security against subversive affiliations.

If you approve, Mr. Carroll will be advised that the Bureau will conduct the investigations of the aforementioned individuals along the line.

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BERG-S NYC APARTMENT FROM MRS. GREENBERG TO MICHAEL GREENBERG AT
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THIRTEENTH, FORTY FIVE. WFO REQUESTED TO CHECK THIS INFO TO DEFINITELY
DETERMINE GREENBERGS EMPLOYMENT STATUS, ETC. RE NY TEL FEB. TWENTY
EIGHTH CONCERNING DEPARTURE OF URSULA WASSERMAN, CONTACT OF JULES KOR-
CHIEN, FROM US WASSERMAN DEPARTED VIA SS PACIFIC EXPRESS FOR BUENOS
AIRES AT FIVE PM, MARCH FIRST. US CUSTOMS MADE ADDRESS BOOK OF
WASSERMAN AVAILABLE AND NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF FOLLOWING WERE NOTED
THEREIN. ARTHUR ADAMS. J. B. ARANOFF, WELL KNOWN IN ADAMS CASE.
COLONEL BERNARD BERNSTEIN, OF WASHINGTON DC, WHO HAS PREVIOUSLY BEEN
IDENTIFIED AS A FREQUENT CONTACT OF HARRY WHITE AND OTHER SUBJECTS
IN INSTANT CASE. RUTH GRUBER OF DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR. SMARIN BATHRACH,
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TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : D. M. Ladd

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I want to call your attention to the MI summary dated March 5, 1946, wherein a conversation transpired at 8:50 p.m. on that date between an individual named Sam Miller and Ann White, wife of Harry Dexter White, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

They discussed the coming monetary conference to be held at Savannah, Georgia, to be attended by Sam Miller and Harry White. Mrs. White said that Harry would leave on Thursday, March 7, for Savannah. Mr. Miller inquired whether Harry White would sever his connections with the Treasury Department before leaving for Savannah and Mrs. White said that he would not; that he would wait until he returns.

ACTION:

It is suggested that the above information be made available to the President, Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Vinson, and the Attorney General by the attached memorandum and letters.

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FROM : J. K. MUMFORD *[Handwritten initials]*
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Special Agent M. A. Taylor of the Washington Field Office called and advised that informant Gregory had arrived in Washington yesterday evening and had called the Silvermasters but they did not invite her to spend the night with them. However, they invited her over for this evening at 7:30. The informant then got a reservation at the Roosevelt Hotel, Room 502.

The informant then called Helen Penny, who was quite enthusiastic and very glad to hear from her. Penny arranged a dinner engagement with the informant for 6:00 PM today at Pierre's Restaurant. Mr. Taylor stated they will cover both of these meetings on a limited scale, that is, to identify them, etc. The informant is to take care of her own business today and will not be covered by WFO.

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J KORCHIEN, UNDER SURVEILLANCE
LAST NIGHT, CONTACTED A WOMAN AT THE HOTEL NEW YORKER AND SPENT ONE
AND ONE HALF HOURS IN HER ROOM. THIS INDIVIDUAL DETERMINED TO BE
ANNA BERENSON, WHO REGISTERED AT NEW YORKER ONE THIRTY *8*.M. YESTERDAY *d*

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GIVING RESIDENCE ADDRESS ONE SEVEN TWO NINE F ST., NW, WASHINGTON
 D.C. BERENSONS GREETING TO KORCHIEN WAS CORDIAL AND INDICATED THAT
 SHE KNEW HIM WELL. NYC INDICES REFLECT A REFERENCE TO ANN BERENSON
 IN THE CASE OF THELMA M. DALE, INTERNAL SECURITY - C. A REPORT
 DATED NOVEMBER TWENTY SEVEN, FORTY FIVE, OF [REDACTED]

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE R. ON MARCH SEVEN
 CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED BEATTIE MAGDOFF CONTACTED MILDRED CHESKIN
 AND INDICATED HARRY WOULD DEFINITELY CHANGE JOBS BECAUSE OF MIKE AND
 WORK IN WALLACES OFFICE OR GO TO HOUSING AGENCY. SAME SOURCE
 ADVISED NORTON LONG, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR FOR PROGRAM, NHA, CONTACT-
 ED MAGDOFF ON MARCH SEVEN AND ENDEAVORED AT LENGTH PERSUADE MAGDOFF TO
 JOIN NHA. LONG TOLD MAGDOFF WYATT IS GOING PLACES AND IS MUCH
 BETTER TO TIE UP WITH THAN WALLACE. HE SUGGESTED MORE COULD BE
 ACCOMPLISHED IN TERMS OF PRACTICAL LIBERAL ACTION IN HOUSING
 THAN AT COMMERCE ALONG THE LINES MAGDOFF HAD PERFORMED WHEN HE WAS
 IN AGRICULTURE. FURTHER STATED MORE EFFECT COULD BE HAD ON TRUMAN
 THROUGH WYATT THAN THROUGH WALLACE. LONG SUGGESTED IN EIGHT YEARS
 HARRY WOULD BE AN OLD MAN AND MAGDOFF STATED HE WOULD JUST
 BEGIN TO LIVE IN EIGHT YEARS, TO WHICH NORT SUGGESTED IN A CONCENTRATION
 CAMP NO DOUBT. LONG INDICATED WYATT NEEDED A TEAM. MAGDOFF STATED HE
 WOULD HAVE TO THINK OF HIS BOYS AND LONG REQUESTED THEIR NAMES AND
 GRADES, AND STATED QUOTE WE CAN DO WHAT WE PLEASE, WYATT PRACTICALLY
 TOLD ME SO UNQUOTE. LONG STATED ONE CREEDEN DID OAK

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RIDGE JOB AND WORKED UNDER JEFFERS WOULD BE DEPUTY FOR OPERATIONS AND DESCRIBED HIM AS A TOUGH OPERATOR [REDACTED] AND QUOTE OUR OPPOSITE NUMBER UNQUOTE. HE ALSO DESCRIBED CREEDEN AS A SLICK HARP WHO KNOWS THE SCORE BUT HAS NO [REDACTED] PHILOSOPHY. HE ALSO INDICATED WYATT EXPECTED THEM TO WATCH HIM LIKE A HAWK. LONG INDICATED HE WANTED MALX COTTON [REDACTED] OR XCATLIN, PHONETIC, WHO COULD KEEP EYE ON THINGS AND LONG WOULD BE IN SAFE HANDS, BUT COULD NOT GET HIM UNTIL SUMMER. HE STATED HE HAD SOME [REDACTED] GOOD GUYS, EDDIEX COOPER, NATX ROGG, PHONETIC, AND BENNIE XGINSBERG, OPA, WHO CAN WRITE ECONOMIC JUNK AND MAKE IT SOUND GOOD. ON MARCH NINE, [REDACTED] LONG AND MAGDOFF ENGAGED IN FURTHER LENGTHY CONVERSATION. MAGDOFF STATED PHILIP XHAUSER, ASSISTANT SECRETARY, COMMERCE, HAD REQUESTED HIM TO MAKE NO COMMITMENTS UNTIL MONDAY, MARCH [REDACTED] ELEVEN, AND HAD ATTEMPTED TO KEEP MAGDOFF. THEY DISCUSSED JACK XHOSAK, MALX CATLIN AND SAM XDENNIS, ALL PHONETIC, FOR [REDACTED] NHA. THEY AGREED IT WOULD BE TERRIFIC AND IMPORTANT JOB AND LONG DECLARED HOUSING WOULD MEAN THE DIFFERENCE IN NOVEMBER AND WHETHER THE DREAMS OF WALLACE AND OTHERS COME TRUE. HE ASSERTED AFTER JOB WAS DONE IN HOUSING THE SUPPORT WOULD CARRY REMAINDER OF PROGRAM. MAGDOFF INQUIRED IF LONG [REDACTED] WOULD GET XHITCH, AND XNORT REPLIED HITCH HAD RETURNED TO OXFORD. LONG STATED IF HE WANTED A GOOD MASHUGEN, PHONETIC, HE WOULD GET SCHLOMER XADLER, LATER REFERRED TO AS [REDACTED] XSOL, WHO IS SUBJECT THIS [REDACTED] CASE. LONG DECLARED SCHLOMER WAS WONDER

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FUL GUY WHO ONE KEPT CHIANG KAI SHEK AMUSED WITH JOKES. NORT WONDERED IF SOL RETAINED OLD FIRE. ON MARCH NINE, BEATTIE MAGDOFF WAS CONTACTED BY BETTY ~~X~~GOULTER WHO REVEALED REVEREND GEORGE C. ~~X~~TITTMAN, PASTOR ST. MARYS CHURCH, DESIRED TO ~~██████████~~ CONVEY MESSAGE REGARDING ATOMIC ENERGY. TITTMAN LATER TOLD BETTY HE WISHED TO SPONSOR FORUM AND HAVE SEVERAL PROMINENT SPEAKERS. THEY AGREED ON SUBJECTS ATOMIC ENERGY, LEGISLATIVE COMPLICATIONS AND THE INTERNATIONAL QUESTION. THEREAFTER, BEATTIE CONTACTED MRS ~~X~~HUTSON, PHONETIC, OF A GROUP CALLED WORLD GOVERNMENT CLEARING HOUSE, IDENTITY NOT KNOWN THIS OFFICE, REGARDING SPEAKERS. MRS. HUTSON SUGGESTED DOCTOR ~~██████████~~ ~~X~~RUSH AND ~~X~~FINLETTER WHO IS NO LONGER IN DISTRICT AND STATED SHE WANTED TO MAKE SURE SPEAKERS ARE WORLD GOVERNMENT PEOPLE, OTHER WISE SHE IS NOT INTERESTED. ON MARCH SEVEN, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ~~██████████~~ ADVISED BEATTIE ~~██████████~~ MAGDOFF CONTACTED BETTY ~~X~~GOULTER AND RELATED SHE RECEIVED LETTER FROM MRS. ~~██████████~~ ~~X~~OGDEN, PHONETIC, UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, EXTENSION ~~██████████~~ SERVICE, REQUESTING PERMISSION TO PUBLISH SERIES OF ARTICLES DESCRIBING LEAGUE IN ARLINGTON AND THE WORK IT IS DOING. ON SAME DATE, BEATTIE CONTACTED CATHERINE ~~X~~STONE AND DISCUSSED LEAGUE ACTIVITIES. BEATTIE RELATED ~~██████████~~ SHE WAS HORRIFIED A SHORT TIME AGO WHEN A SMALL MEETING OF LEAGUE ALMOST DETERIORATED TO QUOTE LETS GET THE RUSSIANS UNQUOTE AFFAIR. ON MARCH EIGHT, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ~~██████████~~ ~~X~~FELTUS CONTACTED JENNIE ~~██████████~~

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X MILLER ADVISING SHE AND X RANDY ARRIVED PREVIOUS NIGHT FROM CALIFORNIA BY PLANE AND FELTUS HAD TO RUSH TO GEORGIA BY PLANE THAT DAY. ANNE [REDACTED] STATED CALIFORNIA IS TERRIBLE NOW. IT FORMERLY WAS NOT BAD BECAUSE ALONG WITH THE USELESS LIFE QUOTE WITH THE LEFT HAND WE WERE ABLE TO DO SOMETHING USEFUL TO SAVE THE WORLD UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] ON MARCH NINE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ERNA [REDACTED] X ROSENBERG CONTACTED EMILY X SCHARFMAN, ERNA ADVISED THAT BENNIE, BELIEVED DR. BENJAMIN X WEININGER, IS GETTING INVOLVED IN UNION FOR DEMOCRATIC ACTION & AND EMILY STATED SO ARE WE. ERNA STATED SUBJECT ROSENBERG ENDEAVORED INTEREST BENNIE IN THIS METROPOLITAN RADIO STATION, THE ED X BRECHER BUSINESS. THEY DISCUSSED HEARINGS ON THE MATTER AND ERNA INQUIRED IF QUOTE OUR BOYS UNQUOTE ARE HANDLING HEARINGS. THEY ALSO DISCUSSED OTHER CALIFORNIA STATIONS STILL IN THE FILE. ERNA INDICATED THAT ON PREVIOUS EVENING X ALLAN DISCUSSED SOME FOREIGN THING UPSTAIRS WITH X HAROLD, BELIEVED TO BE HAROLD X GLASSER, AND STATED QUOTE I CANT BEAR TO DISCUSS IT WITH ALLAN. THAT IS WHAT HE DISCUSSED WITH HAROLD LAST NIGHT. I DONT KNOW WHAT THE DECISION IS UNQUOTE. APPARENTLY MATTER INVOLVES BUSINESS TRANSACTION WHICH GLASSER IS [REDACTED] ENDEAVORING TO PERSUADE ROSENEERG. TO ENTER INVOLVING EUROPEAN RELATIONSHIPS, WHICH SHE STATED HAVE FALTERED DUE TO AMERICAN ANTI RUSSIAN RELATIONS. ERNA STATED HARRIET X SIMMONS, ASSISTANT OF ED BRECHER, WHO WAS FORMERLY MAX [REDACTED] X LOWENTHALS ASSISTANT WAS VISITING THEM ON MARCH TEN, ALONG WITH THE RUBENSTEINS. [REDACTED]

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MARCH NINE, SUBJECT SILVERMAN CONTACTED ONE FLORENCE, BELIEVED FLORENCE WAGNER, ALIAS FLORENCE ODELL, TREASURY EMPLOYEE. THEY ENGAGED IN ~~LONG~~ LENGTHY CONVERSATION. FLORENCE ADVISED ^{William} MAYOR O DWYER, NYC, ~~REDACTED~~ CALLED HER PREVIOUS DAY INDICATING HE WAS TIED UP WITH HANNEGAN, BUT WOULD LIKE TO SEE HER. FLORENCE STATED SHE WAS TAKING NEW YORK TRAIN ELEVEN AM ON MARCH TEN, HOWEVER, SHE AGREED TO WAIT UNTIL FOUR PM TRAIN, FOR WHICH O DWYER HAD RESERVATIONS. FLORENCE SOUGHT SILVERMANS ADVICE ON APPROACH TO O DWYER, AND BOTH AGREED UPON PLAN TO APPEAR INDEPENDENT THOUGH FRIENDLY, AND FLORENCE WOULD INDICATE INTEREST IN SOME INTERNATIONAL MATTER, POSSIBLY UNO, AND APPRECIATION FOR ASSISTANCE IF SHE EVER NEEDED ANY. SILVERMAN STATED THAT A JUDGESHIP WOULD BE THE ONLY THING SHE ~~WOULD~~ WOULD ACCEPT, AND FLORENCE STATED SHE HAD GIVEN UP SUCH AN IDEA LONG AGO, BUT DECIDED TO RETAIN HIS FRIENDSHIP FOR WHATEVER IT IS WORTH. SILVERMAN MENTIONED O DWYER HAD APPOINTED SOME

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NOTORIOUS FASCIST FRIEND AS MEMBER BOARD OF EDUCATION, FLORENCE STATED IN TALKING WITH MAYOR SHE ~~WOULD~~ WOULD ENDEAVOR BE CAREFUL AND ALLOW HIM TO DO ALL THE TALKING. GEORGE AGREED, STATING NOT TO INDICATE SHE DID NOT BELIEVE O DWYER HAD BEEN A ~~WHIZBAN~~ WHIZBAN SUCCESS. SILVERMAN DESCRIBED HIM AS A CHEAP POLITICAL, SENTENCE UNFINISHED ³⁴⁴ ON MARCH NINE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED MORGENTHAU CONTACTED SILVERMASTER ADVISING HIS EXPERIENCE IN FRAM CREDITS LED HIM TO BELIEVE HE HAD ~~SOLUTION~~ SOLUTION TO WHEAT PROBLEM. THE GOVERNMENT TELLS THE FARMERS HOW MUCH TO PLANT AND TAKES IT ALL AT A GOOD FIXED PRICE, THAT IS ALL OVER AVERAGE CONSUMPTION IN U. S. IN PAST FIVE YEARS. MORGENTHAU STATED UNRRA WOULD TAKE MOST OF IT. HE SUGGESTED SILVERMASTER SEE ~~DAVIDSON~~ DAVIDSON, THE NEW GENERAL COUNSEL, ALSO ~~JIM PATTON~~ JIM PATTON OF THE ~~FARMERS~~ FARMERS UNION WHO KNOWS A LOT ABOUT IT, BUT SOMETHING MUST BE DONE AS HE THINKS IT IS NEARLY TIME FOR THE FARMERS TO PLANT SPRING WHEAT. SILVERMASTER STATED IT MAKES ~~SENSE~~ SENSE TO HIM, SINCE IT GIVES FARMERS INCENTIVE TO PLANT MORE WHEAT AND THE GOVERNMENT WILL PROMISE TO ~~BUY~~ BUY ALL PROMISED OVER NORMAL CONSUMPTION. HE WILL SECURE ALL STATISTICS FROM AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT. MORGENTHAU STATED HE DID SOMETHING LIKE THIS ON SMALL SCALE FOR ~~ROOSEVELT~~ ROOSEVELT WITH AN ARRANGEMENT FOR WALLACE AND ~~HOPKINS~~ HOPKINS TO BUY UP SURPLUS, HOWEVER, IT WAS NOT NECESSARY, MORGENTHAU INQUIRED IF ~~MALCOLMSON~~ MALCOLMSON HAD CONTACTED HIM AND SILVERMASTER

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STATED NO. MORGENTHAU STATED ALMOST DEFINITELY HE HAS RADIO PROGRAM NEXT WEEK, BUT THIS IS TOO IMPORTANT TO WAIT FOR THAT. HE INQUIRED

IF SILVERMASTER HAD SOMETHING GOOD IN SURPLUS PROPERTY, PARTICULARLY EFFECTING VETERANS, AND SILVERMASTER STATED THINGS WILL INFLUX AND IT IS DIFFICULT TO DO ANYTHING FOR VETERANS BECAUSE SET UP HAS NO IMAGINATION. [CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ON MARCH EIGHT THAT MARY WHEELER CONTACTED ~~ONE~~ ONE CYNTHIA ADVISING DONALD HAS LOTS OF ~~LEAVE~~ LEAVE AND IF HE CAN OBTAIN IT THEY WILL DRIVE OUT WEST FOR ENTIRE SUMMER LEAVING EARLY IN JUNE AND RETURNING IN AUGUST. ON MARCH NINE, ONE SIDNEY CONTACTED DONALD WHEELER STATING SOME PEOPLE AT STATE DEPARTMENT WERE VERY MUCH IMPRESSED WITH THE JOB DONE IN FRANCE. WHEELER STATED HE IS GLAD. SIDNEY INDICATED DAVE SHOULD BE TOLD. SIGNIFICANCE THIS ~~CONVERSATION~~ CONVERSATION NOT COMPLETELY CLEAR. AT THREE FORTY PM ~~THIS~~ THIS DATE, MARY JANE KEENEY ARRIVED WASHINGTON D. C., VIA PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD. MET BY UNKNOWN WOMAN WHO SEPARATED AT TAXI STAND. SUBJECT PROCEEDED BY CAB TO HER HOME, TWO ONE FIVE B STREET, NORTHEAST. UNKNOWN WOMAN SURVEILLED ON STREET CAR TO DORCHESTER HOUSE WHERE OFFICES OSS LOCATED. J4 (u)

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CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED BELLA RODMAN CONTACTED SUBJECT GOLD CONCERNING NEW HOUSE WHICH GOLDS APPARENTLY HAVE DECIDED TO FOREGO. SONIA GOLD INDICATED BELA INTENDS TO RESIGN AND SHE CAN DO AS SHE HAS ALWAYS WANTED TO. SHE STATED SHE WOULD TELL BELLA ABOUT IT TOMORROW. MRS. RODMAN INDICATED SHE AND SAM ^{RODMAN} WERE READING ABOUT ATOMIC ENERGY AND JOKINGLY STATED THEY WOULD ~~RESEARCH~~ ELECTRIFY THE WORLD AT ONE NAUGHT TWO EIGHT CONNECTICUT AVE, WHICH IS LARGE APARTMENT HOUSE WHERE APPARENTLY THEY PLAN TO MOVE. SUBSEQUENTLY, SONIA CONTACTED PARENTS, NYC, ~~RESEARCH~~ DAYTON THREE THREE SEVEN TWO ONE, AND SUBJECT GOLD STATED HE INTENDED TO VACATION ALL SUMMER AND IS TRYING TO LOCATE HOME IN COUNTRY WHERE HE COULD FINISH HIS BOOK. HE STATED HE HAS FOUR MONTHS PAY COMING. ON MARCH ELEVEN, ROSE GREGG ADVISED SUBJECT ^{RODMAN} JESSE GREGG THAT JENNIE WANTED THEM TO DINNER ~~ON~~ MARCH TWELVE BEFORE CONCERT. APPARENTLY REFERRING TO JENNIE MILLER. ON MARCH ELEVEN, CONFIDENTIAL

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SOURCE ADVISED ONE NANCY ~~X~~ SNODGRASS, PHONIC, CONTACTED EDITH ~~X~~ HALPERIN AND INVITED HALPERINS TO DINNER SATURDAY ABOUT SIX THIRTY PM. EDITH INDICATED ~~██████████~~ SHE EXPECTED ~~██████████~~ MAURICE BACK FROM BOSTON AT MIDNIGHT MARCH ELEVEN AND REQUESTED NANCY DELIVER A MESSAGE TO ~~X~~ PAUL STATING QUOTE TELL PAUL THAT ~~██████████~~ THE BOOKS IN THE STUDY WILL NOW BE USED AGAIN UNQUOTE. NANCY INQUIRED WHY AND EDITH STATED QUOTE YOU'RE NOT SUPPOSED TO ASK QUESTIONS UNQUOTE. NANCY STATED QUOTE ON, IM NOT, UNQUOTE, AND EDITH STATED QUOTE NO. THE FRENCH BOOKS AND SPANISH BOOKS AND NO MORE RAZZING FROM MR. SNODGRASS NOW UNQUOTE. ~~██████████~~ EDITH INDICATED THAT PAUL COULD CALL ~~██████████~~ MAURICE BEFORE SATURDAY AND SHE WAS SURE MAURICE WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO HIM. ~~██████████~~ INVESTIGATION WILL BE MADE TO FURTHER ~~██████████~~ IDENTIFY PAUL ^{~~X~~ Snodgrass} AND NANCY SNODGRASS. ON MARCH ~~██████████~~ TEN, CAROLINE ~~X~~ POTAMKIN, CONTACTED BEATTIE ~~X~~ MAGDOFF, ~~██████████~~ ~~██████████~~ DISCUSSING DISAPPOINTING RESULTS OF STREET POLL IN ALEXANDIRA. SO MANY PEOPLE WERE COMPLETELY NEGATIVE. ONE MAN, ACCORDING TO CAROLINE, STATED IT WOULD NOT KEEP PEACE WITH CHURCHILL MAKING ATTACKS ON RUSSIA AS HE DID IN MISSOURI. CAROLINE STATED SHE WILL PLAY UP THAT ANSWER AND QUOTE HIM ~~██████████~~ WHETHER BETTY ~~X~~ COULTER LIKES IT OR NOT, AND BEATTIE APPLAUDED THIS ATTITUDE. ON LATE EVENING MARCH TEN, BILL ~~X~~ REMINGTON CONTACTED ONE ~~X~~ TOBEY, PHONETIC, ~~██████████~~ SUGGESTING HE CONTACT PHIL ~~X~~ COOMBS IN BOWLES OFFICE. THEY DISCUSSED NHA ~~██████████~~ AT LENGTH. TOBEY INDICATED HAL ~~X~~ TEIN, PHONETIC, HAD SUGGESTED HE SEE NORTON AT NHA, ~~██████████~~

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AND REMINGTON COMMENTED THAT HE LIKED LONG PERSONALLY BUT WOULD NOT WORK FOR HIM. HE DESCRIBED LONG AS EXTREMELY AMBITIOUS, GIVEN TO ~~CRUSADING~~ CRUSADING AND NOT VERY PLEASANT. REMINGTON STATED WYATT LIKES LONG VERY MUCH ~~AND~~ AND FEELS HE CAN COUNT ~~ON~~ ON HIM FOR ENTHUSIASM AND ~~INTEREST~~ INTEREST, BUT REMINGTON IS SKEPTICAL AS TO LONGS EFFECTIVENESS. REMINGTON THOUGHT WYATT'S OTHER ASSISTANT MIGHT BE AL~~BROWN~~BROWN, PHONETIC, TOBEY SAID HE HEARD IT MIGHT BE AL~~WOLF~~WOLF. REMINGTON STATED HE HEARD NO ONE SHOWING SIGNS OF ACCEPTING LONGS PLANNING EXCEPT MANNY~~LERNER~~LERNER, PHONETIC, OF LABOR BRANCH ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED ON

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ON THE EVENING MARCH ELEVEN, CHRIS ^{Wagner} WAGNER IN NEW YORK CONTACTES SILVERMAN ADVISING HE AND FLORENCE DECIDED TO ~~STAY~~ STAY

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BILTHORE HOTEL. THEY DISCUSSED BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS AT LER INVOLVING VARIED COMMODITIES, INCLUDING CHROME, WHITE OAK AND ALUMINUM ROOFING. CHRIS INDICATED THAT BERNINE WAS IN ON THAT ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ECUADOR THING, POSSIBLY REFERRING TO BERNIE ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ BERNSTEIN. THEY DISCUSSED FLORENCE'S TRIP AND THREE HOUR CONVERSATION WITH BILL, APPARENTLY MAYOR WILLIAM ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ DWYER. CHRIS STATED BILL THOUGHT FRANK ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ CONNEOLEY IS HALF CRAZY AND MAY STILL GIVE HIM JOB. SILVERMAN AGREED HE IS ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ HALF CRAZY. CHRIS STATED ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ FLORENCE HAD NOT EVALUATED O DWYERS CONVERSATION AND SILVERMAN STATED WELL HAVE CHANCE TO DO THAT WHEN SHE COMES BACK, WHICH CHRIS THOUGHT WOULD BE NIGHT MARCH TWELVE. CHRIS STATED HE WOULD GET IN ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ TOUCH WITH BERNIE AND ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ INQUIRED ABOUT HIS ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ NUMBER IN NEW YORK. SILVERMAN DID NOT KNOW THE NUMBER, STATING HE PLANNED TO OPEN AN OFFICE SOON CHRIS STATED FLORENCE COULD GET IT FROM MRS ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ KLOTZ. FURTHER LENGTHY CONVERSATION ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ NOT SET FORTH. AT SIX TWENTY TWO PM ON MARCH ELEVEN, FOLLOWING ARRIVAL WASHINGTON, MARY JANE ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ KEENEY, CONTACTED HELEN SILVERMASTER WHO THOUGHT HER ARRIVAL WAS WONDERFUL. KEENEY STATED SHE HAD JUST FINISHED READING ALL LETTERS WHICH HAVE ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ COLLECTED FROM ANGUS, FROM WHOM SHE HAD NOT HEARD A WORD IN SIX WEEKS. AND IS PICKING UP THE OTHER THREADS. SHE STATED TO TELL GREG AND BOB SHE IS BACK. MARY JANE SAID IT WAS MARVELOUS TO SEE LUD ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ ULLMANN OVER THERE, AND HELEN SAID LUD WAS HAPPY TO SEE HER. HELEN INVITED MARY JANE OUT ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ SOON AND LATTER PROMISED TO RING HELEN LATER IN WEEK. *JW*

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TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

FROM : J. C. Strickland

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Reference is made to a memorandum from Mr. Mumford to you dated March 13, 1946, concerning the arrival of Informant Gregory in Washington on March 12 and her subsequent contact with the Silvermasters and Helen Tenney.

At 4:20 p.m. today Special Agent Maurice A. Taylor of the Washington Field Office telephonically advised Supervisor Floyd L. Jones that on the evening of March 13 Gregory had dinner with Helen Tenney at which time they conversed for approximately two hours. During this dinner, Miss Tenney told the informant that she had lost her Russian contact; that attempts have been made to contact her by several persons, both men and women. She said the last attempted contact was about two weeks before Christmas, 1945; that these attempted contacts were made telephonically to Helen Tenney at her apartment and the person calling would invite her to come down to a nearby drug store for a coco cola; however, she never was able to make a contact. Tenney also told the informant that she knows she was followed during her recent trips to New York City where she visited her mother. However, she said that she had no one to report this matter to and apparently when she mentioned it to the informant it was the first time that she had ever told it to anyone. She asked the informant to assist her in regaining her contact, and the informant stated that she would get in touch with her later.

Concerning the visit by Gregory to the Silvermaster home, Special Agent Taylor said that Gregory was at the Silvermaster residence from about 8:45 p.m. until shortly past midnight on March 13; that while she was there Richard and Elizabeth Sasuly were also visitors at the Silvermaster home. The informant said that she is of the opinion that Mrs. Silvermaster was very apprehensive about her being there. She said that William Ludwig Allmann was also there, and that he took Richard Sasuly into the basement of the Silvermaster home where they conversed for a considerable amount of time. The informant gathered that the substance of their conversation was something that they desired to keep from her. She said that finally at approximately midnight, seeing that the Sasulys had made no move towards leaving the Silvermaster home, she finally suggested that they would leave. Thereafter the informant and the Sasulys were driven home by Mr. Silvermaster. The informant said that in view of the Sasulys being at the Silvermaster residence she did not have an opportunity to converse freely with them; however, upon leaving she was invited to stop to see the Silvermasters should she be in Washington in the future.

Special Agent Taylor stated that Gregory departed from Washington for New York City on the 4:00 p.m. train today.

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TO : Mr. D. M. LADD

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I want to call your attention to the MI Summary dated March 4, 1946, concerning a conversation between Maurice Halperin and a Mr. Lou Rheaan (phonetic) at 8:10 P.M. on March 4, 1946. It will be recalled that Halperin is presently employed as Chief of the Latin American Section of OSS with offices in the Dorchester House. According to information received from the Washington Field Office, Louis Rheaan is presently employed by the American Red Cross and has offices on the first floor of the Red Cross Building on 18th Street, Northwest.

It appears that Halperin had requested Rheaan to make some inquiries concerning Halperin's status at OSS, and in view of this the following conversation transpired:

Halperin asked Lou if anybody could find out anything or would they decline to talk. Lou said, "They just said there was enough of a case, and I guess after they announced the story that they didn't want to go beyond it. Of course I could go beyond...telling them what had happened before." Lou asked Halperin if he had talked to McCormack. Halperin said that he had talked to McCormack earlier in the day; that they settled up and parted as friends. Halperin then stated that he was going on leave at the end of the week, adding that he was going on sick leave which would carry him along until the end of May. He said after that he will be on annual leave which will run until October. Halperin then added, "I ain't done so bad (laughter)."

Halperin then said, "I am sure I know what it was. It's one of those things, but I couldn't get it out of them. I talked to Ben Cohen who was most sympathetic, and so forth and so on, but he said he didn't like the procedure and what not and he had long advocated that they have some sort of a board which Congress might trust, and what not. I think basically what it boils down to in my guess is that they are just scared of someone in Congress or somewhere else rattling some skeletons in people's closets, you know." Halperin said that his guess is "that the...It is the old Oklahoma background and general fear, you know." Lou said he thought the whole thing over there is probably pretty upset and pretty uncertain. He then referred to the article in the evening newspaper indicating that there is a strong possibility that General Marshall will succeed Secretary Byrnes as Secretary of State. Halperin said that he was talking to Colonel McCormack, and McCormack just as much as told him that he was quitting. Halperin said there is just one chance in ten that McCormack is going to stay on.

Halperin indicated that he felt a great deal of relief being out of the mess, and said he is going to get down to work. Halperin then concluded by

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thanking Rean for his last efforts, and Rean said he was glad to be of some assistance. (u)

Subsequently, at 8:20 P.M., Halperin contacted a man, referred to as "Doc." and he told Doc that he was leaving his job at the close of work on Friday; that he was going to Boston on Wednesday on his last official job. He also indicated that he was going to see the United Food Company man. This conversation of Halperin indicated that he was "comfortable" when he spoke of leaving his job. He said that he wouldn't be back after his leave, stating that there is no point in going back since there is nothing to do. Halperin also said that he has a lot of things that he wants to do for the next few months, and also mentioned that he would be on "their pay roll for quite a while." (u)

With respect to OSS, Halperin said that he was "just getting out with dignity." (u)

Halperin also said that he has been trying to get some promotions for a couple of people, and he wants to clear up some odds and ends before he leaves. He said he had a meeting of all his Section Chiefs this afternoon and broke the news and that they were all a little disturbed. Halperin said that there has been no official decision as to what is going to happen, but that it is quite clear that it will not continue on as it is. He said they are going to distribute the whole business, break it up and put it under geographical desks. Dock then said, "In other words, OSS may come and OSS may go, but the old State Department goes on forever." Halperin said, "That is right. That is it, my friend. That is exactly it. And it will take on some of the people and it will cut them down a few grades here and there, but it will take whom it wants as it wants them, and people have to measure up to their standards - standards not only of scholarship and point of view, but also of proper conduct." Later he also said that they have to measure up to points of demerits and social background. (u)

ACTION:

It is suggested that the above information concerning Halperin's utilizing his sick leave under questionable circumstances be furnished to Mr. Fred Lyon of the State Department through liaison channels.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: March 13, 1946 ¹³/₄₉

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RE: SOLOMON A. LISCHINSKY

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There are enclosed herewith two copies of a photograph of SOLOMON A. LISCHINSKY, a subject in the above-captioned case. There are also being forwarded, with a copy of this letter, to the New York Field Division two copies of the same photograph.

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Race - White
Age - About 40
Height - 5'7"
Build - Solid, chunky,
heavy shoulders,
bull neck
Eyes - Brown
Hair - Short and bristly
Complexion - Dark
Peculiarities - Smokes a
pipe & wears glasses

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ON MARCH TWELVE, BOB ROGERS, PHONETIC
BOB ROGERS, OSS, CONTACTED HALPERIN, WHO STATED HE RETURNED
WASHINGTON MIDNIGHT PREVIOUS NIGHT. ROGERS STATED NEW SITUATION IS GRIM
AND WOODROW BORAH WOULD TELL HIM ABOUT IT. ROGERS STATED MAN IN
CHARGE IS VERY STUPID. HALPERIN INQUIRED IF ANY MESSAGE ARRIVED FROM
COLONEL MC CORMACK AND ROGERS STATED NO. HALPERIN INQUIRED IF SOME
OFFICE WOULD BE WIPED OUT AND ROGERS INDICATED ALLEN EVANS SAID HE
THOUGHT IT WOULD LIQUIDATED. HALPERIN INQUIRED ABOUT THE STEADY
ORGANIZATION OF ROGERS, WHO STATED THERE IS FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLAR
DOLLARS IN WHICH IS THREE FIFTHS. NATURE OF FUND UNKNOWN.
HALPERIN TALKED OF HIS TRIP TO BOSTON, INDICATING HE COULD HAVE
SITUATION AT UNIVERSITY IF HE WANTED IT. QUESTION OF SALARY

SALARY DIFFICULTY, BUT THEY WERE IMPRESSED WITH HIS RECORD AND

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INHERENT POSSIBILITIES AND MIGHT ENDEAVOR MEET SALARY. ALSO TALKED ABOUT CONTRACT AT UNITED FRUIT COMPANY, NOT UNITED FOOD COMPANY. HALPERIN EXPLAINED HIS IDEAS TO COMPANY OFFICIAL WHO LISTENED AND DISCUSSED HIS OWN POLICY. ROGERS INDICATED LOUIE WAS IN YESTERDAY AND GAVE HIM WHOLE STORY AND STOPPED HIS OPERATIONS. REFERENCE APPARENTLY TO LOUIS REAN, OF RED CROSS. REAN HAD STATED HE WENT TO RUSSELL STATING QUOTE IN OUR BUSINESS WE MEET ALL KINDS OF PEOPLE UNQUOTE, BUT MADE LITTLE IMPRESSION ACCORDING TO ROGERS. HALPERIN STATED IF ONE READS THE PAPERS THE STORY IS VERY CLEAR, AND ROGERS REFERRED TO THE MAN FROM ST. MARYS AND ST. ANNS POSSIBLY MAKING REFERENCE TO RECENT CHARGES BY CATHOLIC PRIEST OF COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN GOVERNMENT AT WASHINGTON. ROGERS STATED THE INCOMING MAN IS A FOOL, APPARENTLY REFERRING TO OSS. HALPERIN STATED HE WOULD SEE WOODROW BORAH AND GET DOPE FROM HIM AND TERRY, HIS EX SECRETARY. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER, DR. WOODROW WILSON BORAH, OSS, CONTACTED HALPERIN WHO SAID BOB HAD GIVEN HIM THUMB NAIL SKETCH. BORAH STATED BOB HAD TOLD HIM ABOUT HALPERIN'S TRIP AND HE WAS GLAD TO HEAR OF FAVORABLE ASPECTS. BORAH STATED QUOTE ONE THING IS VERY CLEAR. THIS PLACE IS GOING TO BECOME INTOLERABLE UNQUOTE. THEY AGREED TO DISCUSS IT LATER. ON THE AFTERNOON OF MARCH TWELVE, HALPERIN CONTACTED BILL WARREN, APPARENTLY

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STATE DEPARTMENT , OR OSS, WHO STATED HE WAS LEAVING THAT DAY VIA AMERICAN AIRLINES FOR ~~NEW~~ MEXICO CITY. THEY ^{DIS}CUSSED HALPERINS BOSTON PROSPECTS. MAURICE STATED SENIOR COMMITTEE MEMBER SADI HE WAS THE MAN, DUTIES BEING TO COORDINATE STUDIES ON LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES, HALF TEACHING AND HALF ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION. HALPERIN REFERRED TO UNITED FRUIT COMPANY WHICH IS WORRIED ABOUT THE FUTURE, SOCIAL ~~SUBJECT~~, ECONOMIC, ETC. HE SPENT HALF HOUR IN OFFICE VICE PRESIDENT.

ON MARCH ELEVEN, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED MAGDOFF CONTACTED NORTON LONG, NHA. IN LENGTHY CONVERSATION,

LONG AGAIN PERSUADED MAGDOFF TO JOIN HIM, ARGUING THAT HE DID NOT WANT TO REMAIN IN ~~NEW~~ WATCH ~~TOWER~~ TOWER WITH ~~WALLACE~~ WALLACE AND LOOK AT THE SKY, THAT GUYS LIKE MAGDOFF WOULD TORPEDO THE HOUSING PROGRAM AN OPPORTUNITY LIBERALS HAVE. STATED WOULD BE BETTER FOR LIBERAL CAUSE IF THEY WOULD JOIN HIM AND SLUG ON PROGRAM WHICH WOULD SHOW PRACTICAL EFFECT ON LIBERAL ACTION, SHOW THEY COULD BUILD HOUSES INSTEAD OF REPORTS. HE STATED IN COMMERCE THEY MISGUIDED THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WITH PHONY DREAMS AND THEY NEEDED SOME TOUGH CONFIDENT GUYS IN HOUSING OR IT WOULD BE KAPUT. HE MENTIONED THEY WOULD BE SORRY WHEN ~~WALLACE~~ WALLACE GOES TO PAC AND ~~MAGDOFF~~ MAGDOFF SAID HE HAD ~~TWO~~ TWO CANIDATES FOR LONG. LONG STATED DONT TELL ME IT IS HAROLD DEMING KUBE AND MAGDOFF STATED NO, HE HAD ~~AL~~ BUTLER WHO WAS WITH WPB. LONG

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DESCRIBED HIM AS BUNKERS ASSISTANT, A PRIME REACTIONARY WHO DID NO GOOD. ~~██████~~ MAGDOFF DEFENDED HIM AND LONG STATED HE WANTED SOMEBODY IN ~~██████~~ MAGDOFFS CLASS NOT SECOND STRING REACTIONARY. MAGDOFF NAMED SECOND MAN AS AL ~~██████~~ WATERSTON AND LONG STATED HE WAS OUT, FIFTY MILLION PEOPLE WOULD TURN OVER IN GRAVES AT MENTION HIS NAME. MAGDOFF MENTIONED EDMOND J. ~~██████~~ STONE, AND ~~██████~~ LONG DESCRIBED HIM AS SECOND RATE. CONVERSATION CONTINUED DISCUSSING VARIOUS NAMES, MAGDOFF INDICATING HE WOULD ~~██████~~ PROBABLY STAY AT COMMERCE. ^{du} ON AFTERNOON MARCH ~~██████~~ TWELVE, CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED YOUNG BOY, JOE ~~██████~~ CONDON, ADVISED MRS. SILVERMASTER THAT HE WOULD BRING SOME THINGS TO HER THIS AFTER-
~~██████~~ NOON. IDENTITY BOY NOT KNOWN. MAY POSSIBLY BE SON OF DR. E. U. CONDON RECENTLY APPOINTED ~~██████~~ DIRECTOR BUREAU OF STANDARDS AND WELL KNOWN ~~██████~~ ATOMIC SCIENTIST AS CONDON IS ACQUANITED WITH SILVER-MASTERS. WILL ENDEAVOR TO ASCERTAIN NAMES OF CONDON CHILDREN. ON EVENING MARCH TWELVE, ONE MARGARET CONTACTED SILVERMASTER THANKING HIM FOR HOSPILITY AT HIS HOME. SHE INQUIRED CONCERNING LOUIE AND MENTIONED HE IS OUT OF WORK. SHE ASKED WHY GREG DID NOT ENCOURAGE HIM TO WRITE BOOK HE WANTED ABOUT RELIEF ADMINISTRATION OR HIS MARITIME LABOR BOARD WORK. GREG STATED HE HAD BEEN POLITICALLY ~~██████~~ ACTIVE IN CALIFORNIA AND WITH LABOR UNREST AND EVERYTHING LOUIE WOULD HAVE BEEN VERY ~~██████~~ USEFUL. ~~██████~~ MARGARET, PROBABLY MARGARET ~~██████~~ KLEM. ~~██████~~ LOUIE MAY BE LOUIS ~~██████~~ GOLDBLATT, ALTHOUGH UIDENTITY NOT YET VERIFIED.

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You will recall that you were advised by memorandum dated March 6, 1946, that information was received through a technical source that an individual named Sam Miller contacted Ann White, wife of Harry Dexter White, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, on March 5, 1946, at which time Mr. Miller inquired whether Harry White would sever his connections with the Treasury Department before leaving for the Monetary Conference at Savannah, Georgia, and Mrs. White said that he would not; that he would wait until he returned.

Further reference is made to White's status in a conversation obtained through a technical source on March 12, 1946, between Ann Feltus, wife of J. H. Randolph Feltus, and Ann White. According to the 1946 edition of the Congressional Directory, Feltus is assistant to Harry Dexter White in the Monetary Research and Foreign Funds Division of the Treasury Department.

During this conversation, Ann Feltus inquired of Mrs. White if she had seen the morning papers about the Monetary Conference. She said that Vinson, referring to the Secretary of the Treasury, "is chairman of both boards which isn't unexpected. He thinks we, the Americans, shouldn't take both top positions." Mrs. White then said: "That is well known — we knew that beforehand." Then Mrs. Feltus said: "I thought it was understood Harry would get the ———." Mrs. White stated: "No. It was understood he wouldn't. He went without any expectation of it because that was determined beforehand." Mrs. Feltus inquired whether or not it was determined very recently and Mrs. White said that it had been determined in a matter of a few weeks. Mrs. White stated that they apparently feel that just one officer should be an American officer. She said that she was just as well pleased; that she didn't want him to have a job that "hard"; that it takes a lot out of him and he isn't in condition to have it taken out of him. She stated that she would rather that he had a less-taxing job but there is some frustration naturally. She said that a few months ago, she would have been furious but right now whatever we hoped it would accomplish seems to be diminishing anyhow.

Later in this conversation, Mrs. White said that she isn't making any plans at all — that she was just waiting. She said she was pretty certain of what the outcome would be down there. Mrs. Feltus asked if Harry was going to stay in there. Mrs. White said: "Oh! As Executive Director?" Mrs. Feltus stated: "That's determined in any case?" Mrs. White replied: "Yes, in any case." Mrs. Feltus said that she thought that might be affected. Mrs. White

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stated that it would be affected if he took any other position - if he were to get the Director Generalship. She stated further: "There's no expectation of that at all so don't think about it." Mrs. Feltus said: "I'm a little confused. I thought the directorship would go to someone else because the top position had gone to an American. I hope they settle it soon as it is irritating everyone." (u)

From the above, it would appear that Harry White will not be considered for any key position in the International Monetary Conference at Savannah, Georgia, and likewise, he is intending to sever his connections with the Treasury Department upon his return. (u)

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The above is being submitted for your information and no dissemination is being made unless advised to the contrary by you. The technical logs containing the above conversations are attached hereto. (u)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

5/18/53
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DATE: March 14, 1946

FROM : D. M. Ladd

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SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, with aliases, et al
(CLAYMER SCHLUTER)
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You will recall from previous memoranda in the above case that Claymer Schluter first came up in this investigation on December 6, 1945, as a contact of the subject Peter Christopher Rhodes who, according to the informant Gregory, was an acquaintance of the Soviet agent Jacob M. Golos, Gregory's superior, and furnished, according to Gregory's knowledge, information to Golos in which Golos was definitely interested. It will be recalled further that in 1945, the unknown Soviet agent "Jack" and Anatoli B. Gromov were attempting to locate Rhodes and mentioned him to Gregory.

On December 6, 1945, when Schluter first came into this investigation, it was noted through surveillances that Peter Christopher Rhodes left the Aux Troix Mousquetaires Restaurant, 818 Connecticut Avenue, Northwest, Washington, D. C., at 2:30 p.m., accompanied by an unidentified man, later identified as Claymer Schluter. After walking several blocks, Rhodes reached in his rear pocket, withdrew a small package or paper, and surreptitiously handed it to Claymer Schluter.

Claymer Schluter was born July 20, 1911, at Freeport, Long Island. Investigation of him in Washington, D. C., has reflected that Schluter has been in contact with Peter Christopher Rhodes and that he has made a number of visits to the Strategic Services Unit, War Department (formerly OSS) at Temporary Building Q. Schluter was inducted into the U. S. Army on February 19, 1941, and his military record reflects that he was attached to CIC in various parts of the United States as well as in Europe. He was separated from the U. S. Army on November 30, 1945, with the temporary rank of captain. It appears that in the recent past Schluter has been residing at his home in Freeport, Long Island. Since December 20, 1945, investigation has failed to reflect that Schluter has been in contact with the other subjects in the above case.

The State Department has now advised that the Strategic Services Unit, War Department, which is, as you will of course recall, a partial successor to the Office of Strategic Services, has requested a passport for Claymer Schluter for travel to Bucharest, Rumania, for the purpose of serving as an agent of the Strategic Services Unit. The State Department advised further that if Schluter's passport is granted he apparently will be leaving within approximately a week. The passport has not yet been issued to him and will not be issued to him without the State Department's first advising the Bureau; however, it should be noted that unless some action is taken considerable pressure may, of course, be brought to bear by the War Department to force the issuance of a passport to Schluter.

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Although Schluter has not been deeply involved in the above case, he is known to have been in contact with Rhodes, and while, since he left Washington and moved to his home in Freeport, New York, his activities are not known to have been particularly significant it appears that Schluter is at least to an extent involved in the above matter. In view of this, it is believed highly inadvisable that Schluter be granted a passport for the purpose of serving as an agent of the Strategic Services Unit in Bucharest, Rumania. Rumania, of course, at the present time, is occupied by Red Army troops, and the Rumanian Political Police are known to be strongly infiltrated by the NKVD. The opportunity for Schluter to effect damage in this position is incalculable, but certainly great. *qu*

ACTION:

For your approval, there is attached a personal and confidential memorandum to Lieutenant General Hoyt S. Vandenberg of the Military Intelligence Service referring him to the information concerning Schluter. There is also attached a personal and confidential memorandum to Mr. Fred Lyon of the State Department concerning this matter suggesting that Schluter should not be granted a passport, and suggesting, further, that Mr. Lyon might desire to call this matter to the attention of the Secretary of State.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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DATE: February 25, 1946

TO : THE DIRECTOR
FROM : MR. D. M. LADD

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SUBJECT: SOVIET ESPIONAGE IN THE UNITED STATES
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IGOR SERGEEVITCH GUZENKO, with aliases, et al
(CORBY CASE), INTERNAL SECURITY - R;

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ANDREI IVANOVICH SCHEVCHENKO
INTERNAL SECURITY - R;

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, with aliases
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Pursuant to your request there is set out below a recapitulation of the individuals and agencies to whom summary memoranda in connection with the above cases have been transmitted, as well as the dates of such transmittals.

Soviet Espionage In the United States

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December 4, 1945: Copies of the Monograph on Soviet Espionage in the United States were transmitted on this date to Brigadier General Harry Hawkins Vaughan at the White House; to the Attorney General Tom C. Clark, and to Secretary of State James F. Byrnes.

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Subsequently additional copies of the Monograph on Soviet Espionage in the United States were delivered personally to Major Matthias Correa, USMC for Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal and to Mr. Fred Lyon of the State Department for Assistant Secretary of State Spruille Braden.

February 20, 1946: On this date copies of this Monograph were transmitted to Fleet Admiral William D. Leahy to Legal Attache Glenn Bethel at Ottawa, Canada and to Legal Attache John A. Ginneman in London, England.

February 25, 1946: On this date a copy of the Monograph on Soviet Espionage in the United States was transmitted by memorandum to Lt. General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Director, Military Intelligence Service.

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Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, with aliases, et al

February 25, 1946: In connection with this case on this date summary memoranda dated February 21, 1946 under the captioned "Underground Soviet Espionage Organization (NKVD) in Agencies of the U. S. Government" were transmitted to

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The Director

Brigadier General Harry Hawkins Vaughan at the White House, Secretary of State James F. Byrnes and Attorney General Tom C. Clark, As you will, of course, recall, as soon as this memorandum is multilithed copies are to be sent to Secretary of the Treasury Fred Vinson, and to Lt. General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Director, Military Intelligence Service.

Igor Sergeievitch Gouzenko (CORBY Case)

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In connection with the dissemination of information concerning the above case it should be noted that the CORBY Case is primarily a Canadian investigation and consequently complete unabridged summaries have not been disseminated by the Bureau, particularly in view of the express request of RCMP that the information received from that Agency in this case be treated in the utmost confidence. However, summary information concerning the United States angles of the CORBY Case has been transmitted to a number of agencies noted below. ~~(S)~~ (U)

September 24, 1945: On this date memoranda briefly summarizing the CORBY Case with particular reference to the American angles were sent to Matthew Connolly at the White House, the Attorney General and Fred Lyon of the State Department.

October 19, 1945: On this date memoranda summarizing the American angles and appropriate identifying information in connection with the CORBY Case were sent to Honorable James V. Forrestal, Secretary of the Navy, Commodore Thomas B. Inglis, Acting Director of Naval Intelligence and Mr. Dean Acheson, Under-Secretary of State.

February 7, 1946: On this date the last summary information concerning the Gouzenko case was disseminated to outside agencies by the Bureau, summary memoranda being sent under this date to Brigadier General Harry Hawkins Vaughan at the White House, Attorney General Tom C. Clark and Secretary of State, James F. Byrnes.

Andrei Ivanovich Schevchenko

A series of summary memoranda to the Attorney General on the Schevchenko case were transmitted on the following dates: August 31, 1945, September 6, 1945, November 2, 1945, December 15, 1945, October 30, 1945. In addition to these memoranda, several additional memoranda concerning possible prosecution of Schevchenko and other factors involved in the case were also sent to the Attorney General, but did not contain summary information and consequently are not being itemized herein.

In addition, the following memoranda of a summary nature were sent to Mr. Dean Acheson, Under-Secretary of State on the following dates: November 2, 1945, December 17, 1945, January 4, 1946.

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On September 6, 1945, a summary memorandum was transmitted to the White House setting forth pertinent facts concerning the Schevchenko Case and advising that those facts had been referred to the Attorney General for a decision regarding possible prosecution of Schevchenko.

Arthur Alexandrovich Adams

In connection with the above case it should be noted that copies of all pertinent reports were made available currently during the investigation of Arthur Alexandrovich Adams to the Manhattan Engineer District in view of the fact that Adams' principal activity was apparently directed at espionage aimed at securing data concerning the atomic bomb and related matters. In addition, pertinent information concerning the Adams' case was made available in summary form at various times to the Department of Justice as set out below.

November 27, 1944: On this date a memorandum summarizing information concerning Adams was transmitted to the Attorney General. This memorandum particularly referred to the meeting of Adams in Chicago, Illinois, on September 25, 1944, with a scientist employed in connection with the Chicago University Research concerning atomic fission.

February 19, 1945: On this date a summary report in the Adams case dated February 12, 1945, was personally delivered to Mr. James M. McInerney of the Criminal Division of the Department, which summary report was later returned by McInerney.

December 5, 1945: On this date the summary report of February 12, 1945, was transmitted by memorandum to the Attorney General.

December 6, 1945: On this date a summary memorandum bringing the Adams case up to date was transmitted to the Attorney General.

December 10, 1945: On this date a memorandum furnishing further information on the Adams case and indicating that he might leave the United States was furnished to the Attorney General.

In addition to the above described dissemination of information in the Adams case this case was discussed orally in November, 1945, [REDACTED]

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 INFORMANT GREGORY PROCEEDED TO WASH. VIA PENNA RR., CONGRESSIONAL LIMITED
 AT FOUR THIRTY PM TODAY. PRIMARY PURPOSE OF TRIP IS TO TRANSACT BUSINESS
 OF US SERVICE AND SHIPPING. SHE WILL TELEPHONICALLY CONTACT SILVERMASTER
 AT HIS RESIDENCE UPON HER ARRIVAL IN WASH. TODAY AND IF INVITATION IS
 EXTENDED HER , EILL STAY OVER NIGHT AT HIS RESIDENCE. IT IS ALSO ANTI-
 CIPATED THAT SHE WILL CONTACT HELEN TENNEY. SPECIAL AGENT CHARLES LANMAN
 PROCEEDED TO WASH. VIA TWO THIRTY PM TRAIN AND BY PRE-ARRANGEMENT WITH
 GREGORY, SHE WILL CONTACT HIM AT THE WFO BY TELEPHONE. WFO ADVISED OF
 THESE ARRANGEMENTS. SS SERGEI KIROV LEFT CLAREMONT TERMINAL AT TEN PM
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : D. M. LADD *[Handwritten initials]*

SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, With Aliases, Et Al;
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DATE: 3-7-46

- Mr. Tolson ✓
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd ✓
- Mr. Nichols ✓
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Reference is made to my memorandum dated March 4, 1946, concerning a conversation between Henry Morgenthau, Jr. and Silvermaster, wherein mention was made by Morgenthau that the only person who opens his, Morgenthau's, mail is Silvermaster's friend, Henrietta Klotz.

Information contained in the Bureau files reveals that Henrietta Klotz is the former personal secretary to Morgenthau when he was Secretary of the Treasury.

The Washington Field Office advised in the Silvermaster case on December 13, 1945, that on that date Henrietta Klotz contacted Helen Silvermaster, wife of Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, and advised that she was leaving the Treasury Department and was going to work for Morgenthau again at the request of Mrs. Morgenthau. She indicated that she would move to New York City. Henrietta Klotz also contacted William Ludwig Ullmann and Ullmann advised her that he would contact Jack Field in an effort to obtain an apartment for her in New York City. During this conversation it was mentioned that Henrietta had previously worked for Mr. Morgenthau. Henrietta Klotz is also a known contact of Harry Dexter White and was invited to be a guest at White's residence on December 14, 1945.

On December 10, 1945, information was received from the Washington Field Office in the Silvermaster case that during the course of a surveillance on the night of December 8, 1945, it was noted that an automobile bearing a license plate registered to Henrietta S. Klotz, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury, was parked in front of the Silvermaster residence. Herman Klotz, husband of Henrietta, is listed as Section Chief at the Treasury Department. While in Washington the Klotzes resided at the Westchester Apartments. A further review of the files reflects that there is no other indication that Miss Klotz has any Communistic connections or has been reported to be a Communist.

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE - R. REFERENCE

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MARCH FOURTEEN LAST. AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER FIFTEEN ON

WHICH ABRAHAM WOLFSON SCHEDULED TO LEAVE NEWARK TODAY AT EIGHT

AM AND ARRIVE IN CHICAGO AT ELEVEN AM CANCELLED. NEWARK REQUESTED

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 DIRECTOR AND SAC WASHINGTON FIELD U R G E N T
 NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ETAL. DR. ABRAHAM WOLFSON, WAS,
 ESPIONAGE R. RE NEWARK TELETYPE MARCH THIRTEEN, FORTY SIX. CHICAGO
 OFFICE HAS IDENTIFIED WOLFSON-S FIANCEE SALLY TAYMOR, WHOSE FULL
 NAME IS SARAH FRANCES TAYMOR, AND COMPLETE BACKGROUND DATA CONCERNING
 TAYMOR SENT BY LETTER TO BUREAU, WASHINGTON FIELD AND NEWARK MARCH
 TWELVE, FORTY SIX. CHICAGO LETTER SETS FORTH DATA INDICATING SAMUEL
 MILLER MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH SAM MILLER, THREE SEVEN NAUGHT NAUGHT
 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE NW, WASHINGTON, DC, AND INDICATING MILLER IS
 GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE AND BROTHER-IN-LAW OF SALLY TAYMOR.

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TO : THE DIRECTOR
FROM : D. M. Ladd
SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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DATE: March 8, 1946
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Acers
Mr. Carson
Mr. Eendon
Mr. Mumford
Mr. Clarke
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Miss Gandy

I desire to call your attention to the conversation appearing in the MI summary dated March 7, 1946, between Allan Rosenberg and his wife, Erna, in which Rosenberg stated that he had a new client today named Frank Coe. Rosenberg said he is handling the purchase of a house in Falls Church, Virginia, as Coe is going to Savannah for Bretton-Woods. Erna said that Allan could not charge much for this as "he is a friend and it might scare others off."

It will be recalled that Allan Rosenberg is a subject in the Silvermaster case.

With respect to Frank Coe, you will recall that, according to informant Gregory, an individual named Frank Coe, who at the time Gregory first became aware of his identity, was in the United States Treasury Department although his exact title and position was not known to the informant. The informant further stated that when Coe was in South America on a mission for the Treasury Department, he was in contact with the Silvermasters, sending them reports and other information which he gathered while there on assignment for the Treasury Department. The informant said that Coe also sent information to Harry White, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury while he, Coe, was in South America. It was the informant's opinion that information supplied to White eventually was furnished by him to the Silvermasters.

The Frank Coe mentioned above is undoubtedly Virginius Frank Coe, who resides at 3700 - 36th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., and who is presently employed by the Treasury Department.

Investigation in this case has revealed that Coe is a contact of Harry White, Irving Kaplan, William Ludwig Ullmann, Abraham George Silverman and Lauchlin Currie, all subjects in instant case.

ACTION:

The above is being submitted for your information and no dissemination is being made since obviously the Treasury Department is aware of Coe's presence in Savannah, Georgia. Further, the Treasury Department has been fully advised of Coe's background in this case.

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In connection with the investigation of the underground Soviet espionage organization (NKVD) in agencies in the United States Government, it has been ascertained that Ursula Irene Wasserman, Apartment 53, 110 Christopher Street, New York, New York, is apparently deeply implicated in Soviet intelligence operations in the United States.

It is noted that Wasserman is presently in Latin America but expects to return to the above address within the near future and that this apartment is presently occupied by her paramour, Jules Korshin, also a suspected Soviet agent who has been closely associated with a Soviet agent known to have been, at least as late as the fall of 1940, delivering blue prints to representatives of the NKVD for transmittal to the Soviet Union. Very recently, both Korshin and Wasserman have been in contact with a number of strongly suspected Soviet agents and are believed to have been involved as intermediaries in the recent delivery of a political testament from France to a National Functionary of the Communist Party - USA, (H)



Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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RE: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER w.a.s ETAL
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the teletypes from Newark to Chicago dated March 4, 1946 and March 11, 1946 wherein Chicago was requested

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The telephone number Fairfax 8750 is listed to one MOSES TAYMOR, 6928 Paxton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. PAT RYAN, 6928 Paxton Avenue, furnished the following information:

SALLY TAYMOR lives at the above address, 6928 Paxton Avenue, and is employed as a teacher by the Board of Education, Chicago, Illinois. The TAYMORS have lived at the above address for approximately six years. The engagement of SALLY TAYMOR was announced the latter part of February or the first part of March. Mr. RYAN did not know to whom Miss TAYMOR will be married. SALLY TAYMOR has a sister by the name of EVELYN who is married to one SAMUEL MILLER. Mr. and Mrs. SAMUEL MILLER have recently returned from living in South America. They are presently living in Washington, D. C. where Mr. MILLER is reportedly employed by the Government. MOSES TAYMOR is the father of SALLY TAYMOR. SALLY TAYMOR also has a sister, Mrs. BENJAMIN SIEVE, who lives in the second floor at 6928 Paxton Avenue. Mr. BENJAMIN SIEVE is a manufacturer of display fixtures for ladies ready-to-wear, Chicago.

Mr. PAUL G. EDWARDS, Examiner, Board of Education, Chicago, Illinois, furnished the records which disclosed the following information concerning SARAH FRANCES TAYMOR, 6928 Paxton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois:



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RE: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER w.a.s ETAL
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Miss TAYMOR was born on February 7, 1901 in Chelsea, Massachusetts. Her educational record is as follows: Boston High School, Boston, Mass., graduated in 1917; Miss Niel's Kindergarten Training School, Boston, Mass., 1919; Chicago Normal, Chicago, Illinois, graduated June, 1925; University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, 1926 to 1927; DePaul University, Chicago, Illinois, 1931, 1932, and 1933, graduated with a Bachelor of Science and Education degree.

Miss TAYMOR has been employed by the Board of Education, Chicago, Illinois, from March 8, 1926 to the present time. She has been employed as a teacher in various schools and is presently teaching at the Parkside Elementary School.

The indices of the Chicago Field Division disclosed no information concerning SARAH FRANCES TAYMOR, SALLY TAYMOR, MOSES TAYMOR, EVELYN TAYMOR, or Mr. and Mrs. BENJAMIN SIEVE. There is not enough information available concerning SAMUEL MILLER to identify him with any of the information in the files of the Chicago office.

The Bureau is requested to authorize the placing of a thirty-day mail cover on SARAH and MOSES TAYMOR [REDACTED] and also to ascertain the address of Mr. and Mrs. SAMUEL MILLER in Washington, D. C. (u) (EX(u))

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Very truly yours,

G. R. McSwain
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RE WFO TEL FEB. TWENTY EIGHTH. NY LICENSE FIVE Y FIVE ONE SIX EIGHT IS REGISTERED TO OSCAR BODANSKY, M. D., FIFTEEN BANK ST., NYC, FOR A NINETEEN THIRTY SIX PLYMOUTH. NY INDICES INDICATE BODANSKY IS AN ACQUAINTANCE OF MAX GRANICH, SUBJECT IN THE CONRAP CASE. GRANICH ONCE CONTACTED BODANSKY FOR INFO ON A DISEASE PECULIAR TO THE CHINESE PEOPLE. BODANSKY ALSO ON MAILING LIST OF NY CONFERENCE OF INALIENABLE RIGHTS. RE SAME WFO TEL, NY TELEPHONE NUMBER WATKINS NINE DASH ONE THREE FOUR THREE IS LISTED TO CHARLOTTE B. WINSOR, SEVENTEEN BANK ST., NYC. NY INDICES NEGATIVE ON THIS NAME. INVESTIGATION HAS DISCLOSED THAT CATHERINE DUFFY HAS WORKED AS A MAID FOR THE PRAVDINS SINCE SOME TIME IN NINETEEN FORTY THREE.

THIS WOULD INCLUDE THE PERIOD DURING WHICH UNKNOWN SUBJECT CATHERINE WAS IN CONTACT WITH OLGA PRAVDINA ACCORDING TO INFO FURNISHED BY GREGORY. THE SUPERINTENDENT AT THE APARTMENT WHERE THE PRAVDINS FORMERLY RESIDED ADVISES THAT A WOMAN WHO ANSWERS TO CATHERINE'S DESCRIPTION VISITED THE

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PRAVDINS FREQUENTLY, IN NINETEEN FORTY FOUR RESIDING THERE FOR SHORT PERIODS ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS. IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER THE WOMAN REFERRED TO BY THE SUPERINTENDENT IS IDENTICAL WITH UNKNOWN SUBJECT CATHERINE NOR DOES THE SUPERINTENDENT HAVE ANY RECOLLECTION OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT BILL. IT IS FELT HOWEVER THAT CATHERINE DUFFY MIGHT FURNISH ADDITIONAL INFO TO AID IN IDENTIFYING UNSUB CATHERINE. BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW CATHERINE DUFFY IMMEDIATELY UPON THE PRAVDINS DEPARTURE. AS THE BUREAU HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY ADVISED BY NY TEL FEB. TWENTY FIRST, CATHERINE DUFFY WILL PROBABLY BECOME EMPLOYED AS THE MAID OF ANDREW AND ZINA VOYNOW. EFFORTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO DEVELOP BACKGROUND INFO CONCERNING CATHERINE DUFFY BUT WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. UNVERIFIED INFO ENDICATES SHE IS NATIVE BORN AND COMES FROM PA. FORMER EMPLOYMENT RECORD NOT KNOWN. SHE RESIDES WITH PRAVDINS AND SEEMS TO BE ON VERY FRIENDLY TERMS WITH OLGA. HER POLITICAL IDEOLOGY OR CONNECTIONS NOT KNOWN. EFFORTS TO DEVELOP FURTHER INFO CONCERNING HER ARE CONTINUING.

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cc - Washington (By Special Messenger)

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The Attorney General

FEDERAL AND CONFIDENTIAL March 18, 1946

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

HATMAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER

I thought you would be interested in the following information which was obtained from a source regarded as completely reliable.

On March 11, 1946, Harry S. Magdoff, a subject in the Silvermaster case and an employee of the Department of Commerce, contacted Mr. Norton Long of the National Housing Administration and Mr. Long attempted to persuade Magdoff to transfer over to the National Housing Administration. Magdoff indicated that he was going to remain with the Department of Commerce. However he suggested to Long the names of several individuals who he thought would fit into the program and would be approved by Long. Mr. Long did not exactly approve of some of the recommendations made by Magdoff and he told Magdoff that he wanted somebody in Magdoff's class who was not a "second-string reactionary." Long indicated to Magdoff that he would be sorry when Secretary of Commerce Wallace goes to the Political Action Committee, and Magdoff stated that he would go with Mr. Wallace even if he had to work for half of his present salary. To this Mr. Long exclaimed, "You really have got religion."

Long further stated that they were looking for able men to do a tough job. He said that Magdoff and others like him are going to "torpedo the housing program and whatever chance liberals have in this country." Long advised Magdoff that he, Magdoff, "wanted to get up in the watchtower with Wallace and look at the sky." He said that it would be better for the liberal cause if men like Magdoff would join the housing program and "along" on the program, which would show the practical effect of liberal action. Long said that he and Magdoff should show them that the New Dealers can build houses instead of reports. He then tried to further persuade Magdoff to transfer over to the Housing Administration and told him that he could get a letter for him from the President. However, Magdoff declined, stating that he could not see his way clear. Long indicated that there never has been a liberal party that succeeded without a good strong housing program, and now that they have one by mistake, men like Magdoff want to remain in the Commerce Department and try to prove that they can get together some reactionary small businessmen, farmers, and laborers, and that they just misguide the American people with their "phony dreams."

I thought you would be interested in the above information, which clearly indicates the efforts being made on the part of Norton Long to infiltrate the National Housing Administration and its housing program with so-called "liberal elements" presently in Washington.

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LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OF FATHER
 HARRY GOLDSTEIN WAS ONE THREE SEVEN NAUGHT FORTIETH ST., BROOKLYN, NY
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DATE: March 13, 1946
TO: Mr. Frederick B. Lyon
Chief, Division of Foreign Activity Correlation
State Department
Washington, D. C.
FROM: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

For your personal and confidential information in connection with Soviet espionage activities in the United States, I am enclosing a copy of the secret memorandum dated February 21, 1946, and entitled "Underground Soviet Espionage Organization (NKVD) in Agencies of the United States Government."

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The enclosure is copy #4 of the summary memorandum dated February 21, 1946 entitled as above noted, and prepared in connection with the case entitled "Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, with aliases, et al, Espionage - R."

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Brigadier General Harry Watkins Vaughan
Military Aide to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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ON *3/19/63*
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Dear General Vaughan:

As of interest to the President and to you, information has been received from a source regarded as completely reliable that on March 5, 1946, Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, who is employed as a Research Economist, War Assets Corporation, was contacted by former Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr., from New York City. Morgenthau indicated that he intended to participate in a radio program once a week and that he has a man named Charles Malcolmson employed by him in Washington who is completing an undercover book with Mr. O. John Rogge, formerly of the Department of Justice. According to Mr. Morgenthau, Malcolmson left the Department of Justice, when Tom Clark was appointed Attorney General, because he "couldn't take it." Mr. Morgenthau mentioned that Malcolmson was recommended to him by Robert Allen. Mr. Morgenthau also indicated that he regards Malcolmson as an excellent man who is thoroughly reliable. He said he asked Malcolmson to contact Silvermaster in order to obtain some information concerning the sale of surplus property and particularly whether or not it affects the veteran. Mr. Silvermaster agreed that he would be willing to assist Morgenthau. Mr. Morgenthau stated that he would like to obtain some scandal in order to make his program interesting, referring to his radio program, but he said he wants to be constructive and feels that he needs some scandal. He and Silvermaster agreed that Washington is a good source for scandal.

Morgenthau and Silvermaster discussed the sale of lumber in the West, and it was mentioned that the veterans were having difficulty in buying lumber. Silvermaster stated that he had attempted to improve this situation. Mr. Morgenthau also asked Silvermaster if he would tell William Ullman what he had in mind, and Silvermaster agreed to pass the information on to him. It will be recalled that Ullman is presently employed in the Treasury Department and information concerning him has previously been made available to you. To Morgenthau's inquiry, Mr. Silvermaster agreed that it would be desirable for Mr. Morgenthau to contact him from time to time for assistance. Mr. Morgenthau suggested that Silvermaster or Ullman send him anything they desired to be publicized in order to assist them; He mentioned

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that the only person who has access to his mail is Silvermaster's friend
Henrietta Klets, who referred Silvermaster and Ullmann to Morgenthau.
Henrietta Klets was Mr. Morgenthau's personal secretary when he was
Secretary of the Treasury.

I thought you would be interested in the above information which
clearly shows Silvermaster's connections with present and past high
Government officials.

With expressions of my highest esteem,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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TO : The Director

DATE: February 20, 1946

FROM : D. M. Ladd

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Elizabeth Terrill Bentley, a known Soviet espionage agent whose activities included the collection of intelligence information from other agents employed in the United States Government for transmittal to the Soviet Union, has now furnished information regarding Norman Chandler Bursler and his activity in furnishing Department of Justice reports to the Soviet Government. Norman Chandler Bursler is employed as an Expert in the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice. The following is a summary of the information contained in the Bureau and Department files concerning Norman Bursler.

ALLEGATIONS OF ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY

On February 1, 1946, Elizabeth Terrill Bentley recalled that Helen Silvermaster, a principal subject in the case entitled "Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, was, et al, Espionage - R", told her that she was acquainted with Norman Bursler, an attorney in the Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, and indicated to Bentley that Bursler might be a good prospect in intelligence work. Bentley thereupon conferred with Jacob M. Golos, a Soviet agent, concerning the recruitment of Bursler but Golos indicated that he was skeptical and feared that Bursler might be a plant. Subsequently Bentley instructed Helen Silvermaster to handle Norman Bursler and arrangements were apparently made between Helen Silvermaster and Norman Bursler inasmuch as in the summer of 1944 Bentley saw reports on German cartels among the material turned over to Bentley by the Silvermasters. Bentley also recalled that Helen Silvermaster had stated that Bursler's work in the Antitrust Division principally concerned investigations of the German cartels. Bentley indicated to Helen Silvermaster that she knew the source of the cartel reports and Helen Silvermaster admitted that they had come from Norman Bursler. Bentley recalled that when Bursler first came to her attention he was employed in the Antitrust Division in New York City, but later was inducted into the Armed Forces, served a short period and was released, resuming his employment with the Antitrust Division. Bentley has never seen or met Bursler and has no further information concerning him.

BACKGROUND

Norman Chandler Bursler was born at Wilmington, Delaware, on February 28, 1904. He came from a poor family and was one of nine children.

In 1938 recontacted the original informant and verified the identity of Norman Bursler.

Norman Bursler received his preliminary education at an elementary school in Wilmington, Delaware, as well as at Beacon Business School and at Antioch College. He also attended the Undergraduate School at the University

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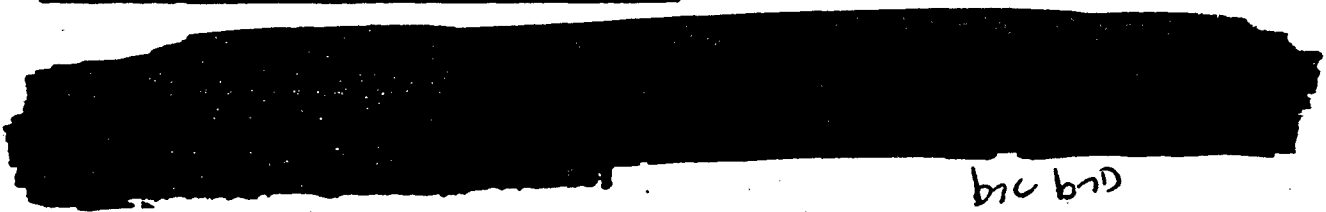
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of California from 1927 to 1933 and graduated with an A.B. Degree. During 1933 to 1934 and 1937 to 1938 he studied economics in the Graduate School at the University of California, receiving no degree. The employment records reflect that Norman Bursler was first employed in 1918 as an office boy at the E. I. Dupont de Nemours Company at Wilmington, Delaware. He obtained his first Government employment in October, 1931, serving as a secretary to the American Commercial Attache, Shanghai, China. He has also been employed by the National Recovery Administration, the Works Progress Administration, the United States Labor and Agriculture Departments. In August, 1938, he obtained a position as expert with the Antitrust Division, United States Department of Justice, which position he has held until this date with the exception of the period, October 22, 1942, to January 25, 1943, at which time he was in the United States Armed Forces. The New York Field Division has confidentially ascertained through the Department of Justice, Antitrust Division, New York City, that Bursler expects to resign on or about March 1, 1946, to return to private practice in Chicago, Illinois.

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Walter Lee, campus officer, University of California, advised that his records reflect that during Bursler's stay at the University he was involved in Communistic and Socialistic activities, resulting in the agitation of students and the organization of them into the Social Problems Club which was later known as the National Students League. His records also reflect that in an interview in 1934 Bursler stated that he had been in China in 1930 and that while there had been a member of the Communist Party.

Walter Johnson, Captain, Berkeley Police Department, made reports concerning the activities of Norman Bursler while at the University of California, which reports reflect that Bursler was a member of the Berkeley Branch of the Friends of the Soviet Union and in September, 1932, attended one of their meetings and explained pictures which he had taken in the Chinese war zone during the recent Chinese-Japanese hostilities. Walter Johnson further reported that Bursler was active in the Social Problems Club, took part in demonstrations and was active in the organization of other radical groups.

Lawrence S. Fletcher, Deputy District Attorney, Berkeley, California, advised that on February 22, 1933, members of the Social Problems Club, which included Norman Bursler, were in his office defending various individuals who were attempting to sell an alleged Communist publication known as "The


Students Outpost". According to Fletcher, this had resulted in a tear gas affray and Bursler was one of those individuals who were testifying in defense of the alleged Communists.

The County Prosecutor's Office, Alameda County, California, contains information reflecting that an individual named Norman Bursler was listed as being a Communist Party functionary in 1934. It is not known whether this individual is identical with Norman Bursler but it is noted that Bursler was in attendance at the University at that time.

Mrs. E. R. Allan, 2511 Herst Avenue, Berkeley, California, stated that Norman Bursler and Professor Brady lived in an apartment at that residence during the early portion of 1937. She further stated that Bursler was obsessed with Communistic ideas and that as late as August, 1938, Communist papers still came to that address for Norman Bursler.

Mr. Allen Buchanan, former professor of economics at the University of California and presently Chief of the Economics Section, United States Tariff Commission, and a roommate of Norman Bursler in 1938, advised that Bursler, because of his struggle for a living, had interested himself in uplifting the masses and had become very active in the Social Problems Club. Mr. Buchanan further stated that like himself, Bursler was definitely of the left wing and a great believer in the Karl Marx theory of economics.

The files of the Subversive Detail, Wilshire Station, Los Angeles Police Department, contain a letter dated September 23, 1928, addressed to Louis Schneiderman, a prominent Communist Party functionary in California at that time. The letter was from Meyer Baylie, an active Communist Party member in the Los Angeles area, and contained numerous references to the Young Communist League and other Communist Party activity. Also in the letter was information that there was no Young Communist League in Berkeley, California, and the writer complained that he had to do all organizing work. He went on to state further, "This gives you an idea of the conditions. I find a similar condition existing among other comrades and to an excess in the case of Norman Bursler. He is a problem in himself and is living on past glory." It is not known whether this individual is identical with the Norman Bursler in this case but it is noted that Norman Bursler was in attendance at the Undergraduate School at the University of California at that time.

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The files of the Office of Naval Intelligence contain information reflecting Bursler's Communist activity in the Berkeley, California, area and also set out that Bursler claims to have been employed by the American Consulate

in Shanghai and was Communist Party Secretary in Shanghai, China.

[REDACTED] advised that the name Norman Bursler appeared on the active indices of the United Spanish Aid Committee. This committee is reported to have been organized by members of the Communist Party and is alleged to have been a Communist front organization.

RELATIONSHIP OF BURLER WITH SUBJECTS
IN THE SILVERMASTER CASE

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In a personal history statement executed in Bursler's own handwriting on August 5, 1938, for the Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, Bursler set out that the person to be notified in case of emergency was Dr. Gregory Silvermaster and gave the relationship of this individual as a "friend". Also in the personal history statement Bursler listed as a reference Dr. Gregory N. Silvermaster, as well as Dr. Robert A. Brady, University of California, an individual who is known to have associated with many Communist Party members; Dr. Louis Bloch, Maritime Commission, an individual who is known to have associated with many prominent Communist Party members; Dr. Jessica Piexotto, University of California; and Dr. Gustav Seidler.

Norman Bursler was apprised of the allegations made concerning his Communist affiliation and in a five page memorandum to Mr. Thurman Arnold dated November 30, 1938, gave a general biographical sketch of himself in answer to these allegations. Pertinent portions of this memorandum include, "Here, however, I should like to deal with the few clues which you were good enough to give me concerning these allegations. You asked me to tell you where I was on November 7 (election day) 1936. I was in Washington. I worked all day long at the Consumers Project, Department of Labor, with offices in the Keith-Albee Building, 15th and G Streets, Northwest. I shared an office with Harry Meremus. After work I went for dinner at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Silvermaster who lived in an apartment at that time at 3217 Connecticut Avenue. Others in the party were Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Silvermaster, Boris Witte, a member of the Russian aristocracy, and William L. Ullmann." It is pointed out that Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Silvermaster are among the principal subjects in a Soviet espionage investigation and that William Ullmann is also one of the principal subjects in this investigation. Bursler also points out in his memorandum that he had read the "Communist Manifesto" as required reading in his political science class at the University of California, and that he had attended lectures and forums by various radical groups in the Bay City.

The Department files also contain a letter dated December 5, 1938, from Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, Senior Economist, Maritime Labor Board, Washington, D. C., to Mr. Thurman Arnold. A portion of this letter is quoted as follows:

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"I met Mr. Bursler in the office of Professor Robert Brady, University of California, who recommended Mr. Bursler to me as a person of unusual ability and of sterling personal qualities. Since 1935 I have had the opportunity to know Mr. Bursler more intimately as he has been a frequent visitor in my home. I believe, therefore, that I am in a position to express an opinion as to his social-political views."

The files of the Department of Justice reflect that Norman Bursler has been a member of various search teams sent to the European Theater to investigate the German cartels. Included in the reports submitted to the Department by Bursler is a confidential interim report dated September 18, 1943, on "The Iron and Steel Industry: Activities of European Cartel Members in South America." It is noted that Elizabeth Terrill Bentley advised that she had seen reports on German cartels among material turned over to her by the Silvermasters in the Summer of 1944.

SUGGESTED ACTION

As you will recall a complete detailed memorandum relating to the Silvermaster case is being prepared for distribution to the White House, Mr. Fred Lyon of the State Department and the Attorney General. However, since Norman Bursler is the first employee of the Department of Justice figuring in this investigation, it is thought that you might desire to discuss his involvement personally with the Attorney General and there is attached a blind memorandum covering Bursler's activity and Communist background which you may desire to furnish to the Attorney General. There is also attached hereto a memorandum setting out the complete activity and background of Bursler with the sources identified which, if you approve, will be furnished to the New York and Washington Field Divisions with instructions for appropriate investigation of Bursler in connection with the Silvermaster case.

Attachments

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I also handed A.G. a
copy of memo on Bursler.
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February 20, 1946

NORMAN CHANDLER BURSLE

ALLEGATIONS OF ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY

On February 1, 1946, Elizabeth Terrill Bentley recalled that in 1942 Helen Silvermaster, wife of Nathan Gregory silvermaster, stated that she was acquainted with Norman Bursler, an attorney in the Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, and indicated to Bentley that Bursler might be a good prospect in intelligence work. Bentley thereupon advised that she conferred with Jacob M. Golos concerning the possible recruitment of Bursler but Golos indicated that he was skeptical and feared that Bursler might be a plant. Subsequently Bentley instructed Helen Silvermaster to handle Bursler personally and an arrangement of some sort was apparently made between Helen Silvermaster and Norman Bursler inasmuch as, according to Bentley, in the Summer of 1944 Bentley personally saw reports concerning German cartels among material turned over to Bentley by Helen and Gregory Silvermaster. Elizabeth Terrill Bentley further recalled that Helen Silvermaster had advised that Bursler's work in the Antitrust Division principally concerned investigation of German cartels. ✓ Bentley indicated to Helen Silvermaster that she knew the source of the cartel reports and Helen Silvermaster admitted that they had come from Norman Bursler.

According to Bentley when Bursler first came to her attention he was employed by the Antitrust Division in New York City but was subsequently inducted into the Armed Forces, served a short time, and was released, resuming his employment with the Antitrust Division, Department of Justice. Elizabeth Terrill Bentley advised that she has never seen or met Norman Bursler and possesses no further knowledge concerning him.

BACKGROUND

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Personal History

The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics for the State of Delaware, Dover, Delaware, reflect that Norman Chandler Bursler was born February 28, 1904, at Wilmington, Delaware, his father being William Bursler and his mother Mary E. Roberts. Chief of Police Frank Mahoney, Wilmington, Delaware, advised that Bursler was one of nine children who grew up in the poor section of Wilmington, Delaware.



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The files of the Wilmington Police Department and local courts fail to reflect any record relating to Norman Chandler Bursler.

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In November, 1938, recontacted the neighbor in question and he reported that the identity of Norman Bursler was verified by him.

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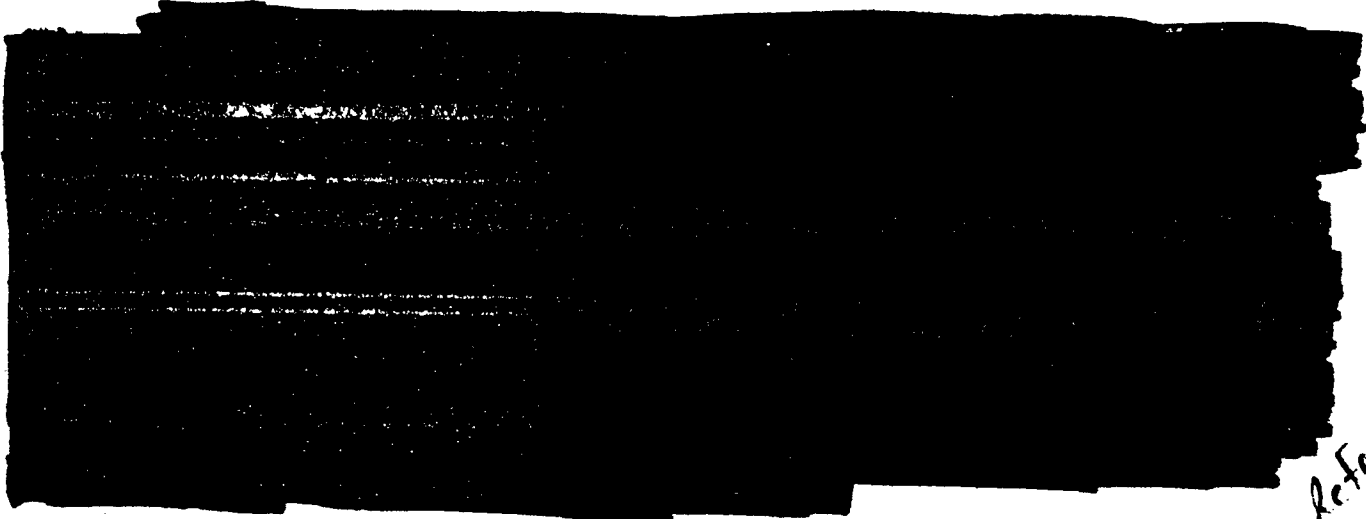
Education

According to information furnished by Norman Chandler Bursler in applications for employment and elsewhere, he received his preliminary education in the elementary schools in Wilmington, Delaware, at Beacon Business School, Wilmington, Delaware, and Antioch College in the year 1929.

The records of the Registrar, University of California, reflect that Bursler attended that University from January, 1927, through May 11, 1933, at

which time he received an A.B. Degree. Bursler also attended the University of California Graduate School during the term 1933 - 1934 and the term 1937 - 1938, at which time he took courses in economics.

Employment



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The files of the Department of Justice reflect that Bursler has been employed as an expert on a temporary basis and that his employment has been continued at the expiration of each three months period.

ALLEGATIONS OF PREVIOUS COMMUNIST PARTY
AFFILIATION AND ACTIVITY



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Walter Lee, campus officer, University of California, advised that his records reflect that Bursler was involved in Communistic and Socialistic activities during the time he was a student at the University of California. According to Walter Lee, these activities resulted in the agitation of the students, and an attempt to organize them under a Social Problems Club, which club was later known as the National Students League. Walter Lee advised that although Bursler himself was not a firey speaker he was more of the "mousy" type and was active in an underhanded way. Walter Lee also advised that his records reflect an interview in 1934 with Norman Bursler at which time Bursler

stated of his own accord that he, Bursler, had been in China in 1930 and while there had been a member of the Communist Party and "on a few occasions delivered messages from the United States Consulate to the war ships in the bay during the Chinese - Japanese hostilities."

Walter Johnson, Captain, Berkeley Police Department, has stated that his files reflect a report made by him on March 27, 1933, which report contains the following information: "Bursler is definitely reported to be a Communist but not of the outspoken type, being a quiet worker and one of the leaders in the Social Problems Club. He is a member of the Berkeley Branch of the Friends of the Soviet Union and in September, 1932, attended one of their meetings and explained pictures he had taken in the Chinese war zone during the recent Chinese-Japanese hostilities." The report further states, "Bursler is reported to have traveled through Russia at the same time and contacted another Berkeley radical on his trip. He attended the Tom Mooney meeting at San Francisco on November 6, 1932. Although unquestionably a Communist, Bursler is not active in an obvious way, being a quiet worker for the movement."

Also contained in the files of the Berkeley Police Department is a report by J. W. Johnson, dated March 24, 1933, which contains the following information: "Norman Bursler, University of California student who has been active in the Soviet Problems Club for sometime, is very active in the branch of the Friends of the Soviet Union. Bursler is reported to have lived with Professor A. Buchanan of the Economics Department of the University at 2630 Benvenue. He was one of the leaders in the demonstration at Satherd Gate at the time the Japanese training squadron visited Berkeley. In addition Bursler is reported to be organizing another group of radicals independent of the Friends of the Soviet Union and the Social Problems Club. This group is composed of University and Berkeley high school students. Meetings are held regularly but the meeting place is not known at present. Bursler recently told Mrs. Esther Kennedy, 2429 Channing Way, that within three years this club will be working in the grammar schools."

Also contained in the files of the Berkeley Police Department is a memorandum to Chief J. A. Greening, dated September 26, 1933, reflecting that Lawrence S. Fletcher, Deputy District Attorney, advised on February 22, 1933, that a group of members of the Social Problems Club had been in his office concerning a complaint which had been issued regarding Frank M. Freck, Alfred R. Hahn, Veldnirir Kositsin, S. R. Maas and other unknown individuals. Norman Bursler was among the group. According to the memorandum, it appeared that a complaint had been made as a result of a tear gas affray resulting from an effort on the part of Alfred Van Tassell and Julius Ratner to sell an alleged Communist publication known as the "Students Outpost." Norman Bursler appeared and advised that he did not see the altercation but arrived ten minutes later and that a great deal of gaseous substance was in the air. The memorandum stated that Bursler was attempting to defend his friends in this Communist movement.

The records of the County Prosecutor's Office, Alameda County, California, contained a list of individuals who were known to that office as Communist Party functionaries. Included in this list is the name Norman Bursler and beside his name appears the notation "1934". It is not known whether this person is identical with the subject but it is noted that Bursler was in attendance in the Graduate School of the University of California during the year 1934.

Mrs. E. R. Allan, manager of an apartment house located at 2511 Herst Avenue, advised that her records reflect that Norman Bursler moved into an apartment at that address January 1, 1937, and with a Professor Brady remained there until May 1, 1937. Mrs. Allan stated that her impression of Bursler was very derogatory; that she felt that he was not an American; and recalled that he was not only unfriendly but somewhat obsessed with Communist ideas. Mrs. Allan advised that Communist papers addressed to Norman Bursler had continued to come to that apartment as late as August, 1938.

Mr. Allen Buchanan, Chief of the Economics Section, United States Tariff Commission and former professor of economics, University of California, upon interview in October, 1938, related that he had been acquainted with Norman Bursler since 1931 and made a very high recommendation on behalf of Bursler. Mr. Buchanan stated that he was acquainted with Bursler's family background and his struggle to obtain an education and he advised that because of his struggle for a living, Bursler had interested himself in uplifting the masses; that Bursler had joined the Social Problems Club and was very active in this work. Mr. Buchanan further advised that like himself, Bursler is definitely of the left wing and is a great believer in the Karl Marx theory of economics; that the proponents of the theory are very much opposed to violence but violence is resorted to by those individuals who are of the radical type. He stated that Bursler could not be considered as of this radical type.

The files of the Subversive Detail, Wilshire Station, Los Angeles Police Department, contain a letter dated September 23, 1928, addressed to Louis Schneiderman, a prominent Communist Party functionary in California, from Meyer Baylie, an active member of the Communist Party in the Los Angeles, California, area at that time. This letter makes numerous references to the Young Communist League and the fact that the writer has spoken at state meetings, and obtained Communist Party signatures on petitions during election campaigns. The letter also mentions that there was at that time no Young Communist League in Berkeley, California, and continues: "I am more or less at large and called on to do work by anyone who needs help. I am willing to do work. This gives you an idea of conditions. I find a similar condition existing among other comrades and to an excess in the case of Norman Bursler. He is a problem by himself and is living on past glory." The letter continues without any further reference to Bursler. It was signed "Comradely yours", and contained the postscript "Regards to all the comrades." It is not known whether the individual mentioned in this letter is identical with Norman Chandler Bursler but it is noted that Bursler was in attendance in the Undergraduate school of

the University of California from January, 1927, to May, 1933.

[REDACTED] advised that the active indices of the United American Spanish Aid Committee contained the name Norman Bursler. This organization was formed by known Communists and was alleged to be composed primarily of members of the Communist Party. b7c
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The Office of Naval Intelligence provided the following information concerning Norman Bursler: "Subject is presently employed in the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice in Washington, D. C. Information in the files of DIO-12ND reveal subject attended the University of California, Berkeley, California, intermittently between January 1, 1927, and 1938, obtaining his A.B. Degree in 1933 and studying economics in the Graduate Department from 1935 to 1938, receiving no degree. The files of the Berkeley Police Department list subject as a suspected Communist; active in the Friends of the Soviet Union and one of the organizers of the Social Problems Club (later a chapter of the National Students League), a suspected Communist Party front. Subject visited China during 1931 and 1932. He claims to have been employed by the American Consulate in Shanghai and Communist Party Secretary in Shanghai."

RELATIONSHIP OF BURSLEER WITH SUBJECTS IN THE
SILVERMASTER CASE


In a personal history statement prepared by Norman Bursler in his own handwriting for the Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, on August 5, 1938, the person to be notified in case of emergency was listed by Bursler as

Dr. Gregory Silvermaster, 3630 Jocelyn Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.
The relationship of this individual was set out by Bursler as "friend".

Also contained in the same personal history statement was a list of "references to persons well qualified to judge as to your fitness to the position sought." Bursler set out the following references: Dr. Robert A. Brady, Department of Economics, University of California, Berkeley, California; Dr. Gregory N. Silvermaster, Labor Relations Adviser, Federal Security Administration, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Louis Bloch, Labor Relations Adviser, Maritime Commission, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Jessica Peixotto, Professor of Economics, University of California, Berkeley, California; Dr. Gustav Seidler, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C. Concerning the references above the following information is noted: Dr. Robert A. Brady is a known associate of many prominent Communist Party members. Dr. Gregory N. Silvermaster is a principal subject of the present Soviet espionage investigation and Dr. Louis Bloch is a known associate of many Communist Party members.

The Department of Justice files reflect that Norman Bursler was advised that questions had been raised concerning his Communist affiliation and by a five page memorandum to Mr. Thurman Arnold dated November 30, 1938, Norman Bursler set out a biographical sketch of himself in answer to the allegations. The following pertinent paragraph is quoted:

"Later on I will deal at more length about my genealogical education and my experience. Here, however, I should like to deal with the few clues which you were good enough to give me concerning these allegations. You asked me to tell you where I was on November 7 (election day) 1936. I was in Washington. I worked all day long at the Consumers Project, Department of Labor, with offices in the Keith-Albee Building, 15th and G Streets, Northwest. I shared an office with Harry Meremus. After work I went for dinner at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Silvermaster, who lived in an apartment at that time at 3217 Connecticut Avenue. Others in the party were Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Silvermaster, Boris Witte, a member of the Russian aristocracy, and William L. Ullmann. After dinner the Silvermasters went to the home of James Newall Blair, son of former Assistant Attorney General Harry Blair. However, I remained in the apartment listening to the radio and playing chess until they returned later in the evening."

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It is further noted that members in the party with Bursler were Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Silvermaster, principal subjects in the present Soviet espionage investigation, Boris Witte who Bursler identified as a member of the Russian aristocracy and William L. Ullmann who is also a subject in the

Silvermaster investigation. A further pertinent portion of Bursler's memorandum is quoted as follows:

"In the Fall of 1931 I took out a leave of absence from the University and went to Shanghai, China, where I secured a position as secretary to the American Commercial Attache. This position I held from October, 1931 until June, 1932 when I returned via Europe to the United States and completed my senior year, graduating as an economics major in May, 1933.

"Later at the University in pursuit of my economics studies, I had assignments in Marx's capital. Many times I tried to read it and found the book so dry I could never get past the first few chapters. At the University we were encouraged to consider all sides of political and social questions. Even Dr. Barrows requested his political science classes to read the 'Communist Manifesto'. The University brought Norman Thomas to the campus and arranged a debate between him and Chester Roll in the men's gymnasium before 5000 students. I attended all such affairs.

"From time to time I attended lectures and forums by as many of the various radical groups in the Bay City as time and opportunity permitted and heard Marx expounded from as many viewpoints as there were groups."

The Department files also reflect a letter written on the stationery of the Maritime Labor Board, Washington, D. C., and dated December 5, 1938, to Mr. Thurman W. Arnold, Assistant Attorney General, from Nathan Gregory Silvermaster. This letter is quoted as follows:

"Dear Mr. Arnold:

I am writing this letter in behalf of Mr. Norman Bursler employed in the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice who apparently has been the victim of slanderous accusations of being a 'Red'.

I met Mr. Bursler at the house of Professor Robert Brady, University of California, who recommended Mr. Bursler to me as a person of unusual ability and of sterling personal qualities. Since 1935 I have had the opportunity to know Mr. Bursler more intimately as he has been a frequent visitor at my home. I believe, therefore, I am in a position to express an opinion as to his social-political views.

I would characterize Mr. Bursler as an ardent New Dealer and only in this sense can he be accused of being a Red. I am convinced Mr. Bursler could be classed as second to none in his devotion and loyalty to our Constitution."

In October, 1938, Mrs. Gregory Silvermaster, 3630 Jocelyn Street, was interviewed and at that time she advised that Norman Bursler resided in her home for several weeks early in June of 1938 when he came from California to accept a position with the Government. She stated that she had known Bursler during the past six or seven years dating from his attendance at the University of California where her husband was a professor. She further stated that she knew nothing of a derogatory nature which would be considered against his obtaining employment with the Government. She considered him a most admirable person and deserving of all the assistance she could give him.

The Bureau's files reflect that a confidential interim report dated September 18, 1943, on "The Iron and Steel Industry; Activities of European Cartel Members in South America" was submitted by Norman Bursler, Economic Warfare Section, Department of Justice, New York, New York. It is pointed out that Elizabeth Terrill Bentley advised that in the Summer of 1944 she saw reports on German cartels among material turned over to her by the Silvermasters. The Bureau's files also reflect that on October 31, 1944, Norman Bursler submitted a confidential report entitled "Restricted Report on Aspects of German Economic Warfare as Prelude to Military Aggression." The files further reflect that Bursler was in April, 1945, a member of the Search Team operating in Germany, and the files further reflect that Norman Bursler has taken part in other search teams investigating German cartels and on at least one of these occasions he was given the simulated rank of Major in the United States Army in order to carry out the assignment.

The New York Field Division has confidentially determined that the Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, New York City, advised Norman Bursler is presently employed in that city but expects to resign March 1, 1946, and engage in private business in Chicago, Illinois.

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Gregory, a known Soviet espionage agent operating in the United States, collected intelligence information from other agents who were employees in United States Government Departments. These individuals furnished confidential information from Government files, and this information was in turn given by Gregory to Jacob M. Gales, a Soviet espionage agent who furnished it to the Soviet Government. Norman Chandler Bursaler, an employee of the Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, according to Gregory, has furnished confidential Department of Justice reports to this espionage group and the following is a summary of his activity as well as the information contained in the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Department of Justice files concerning Norman Bursaler.

ALLEGATIONS OF GREGORY

Gregory has related that during 1942 Helen Silvermaster, a principal subject in the case entitled "Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, et al, Espionage R", mentioned that she, Helen Silvermaster, was acquainted with Norman Bursaler, an attorney in the Antitrust Division, Department of Justice, and indicated to Gregory that Bursaler may possibly be a good prospect for intelligence work. Gregory thereupon conferred with Jacob M. Gales, a Soviet agent, concerning the recruitment of Bursaler. However, Gales indicated that he was skeptical and feared Bursaler might be a plant. Subsequently Gregory instructed Helen Silvermaster to handle Bursaler personally and apparently arrangements were made between Helen Silvermaster and Norman Bursaler to carry out that espionage activity inasmuch as in the summer of 1943 Gregory personally saw reports on German cartels among the material turned over to Gregory by Helen Silvermaster and her husband, Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, which they had collected from their group. Helen Silvermaster had stated that Bursaler's work was in the Antitrust Division and principally concerned investigation of German cartels, and when Gregory indicated that the source of these cartel reports was known to Gregory, Helen Silvermaster admitted that they had come from Bursaler.

BACKGROUND

Norman Chandler Bursaler was born February 22, 1901, at Wilmington, Delaware.

Bursaler received his preliminary education at Wilmington, Delaware, and attended the University of California from 1927 until 1933, receiving an A.B. Degree. He also did graduate work in economics at the University of California.

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Norman Bursler's employment background reflects that he held his first Government position from August, 1931, to May, 1932, as Secretary to the American Commercial Attache at Shanghai, China. He has also been employed by the National Recovery Administration, the Works Progress Administration, the Department of Labor and the Department of Agriculture. On August 5, 1938, he was appointed as an expert in the Antitrust Division, Department of Justice and has continued that employment to this date with the exception from October 27, 1942, to January 25, 1943, during which time he was in the United States Armed Forces. It has been ascertained that Norman Bursler expects to resign from the Department of Justice on or about March 1, 1946, to return to private business in Chicago, Illinois.

ALLEGATIONS OF PREVIOUS COMMUNIST PARTY AFFILIATION AND ACTIVITY

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Another confidential source has indicated that Bursler during his stay at the University of California was involved in Communist and socialistic activities resulting in the agitation of students and the attempt to organize them under the Social Problems Club which was later known as the National Students League. Bursler also on his own accord admitted he had been in China in 1930 and while there had been a member of the Communist Party. (u)

Another reliable and confidential source advised that Norman Bursler was a member of the Friends of the Soviet Union and in September, 1932, attended one of their meetings and explained pictures he had taken in the Chinese war zone during the Chinese hostilities. This same source indicated that Bursler was one of the leaders in demonstrations on the campus of the University of California and was among those members of the Social Problems Club who came to the defense of two individuals who had been tear gassed in an affray resulting from an effort to sell a Communist publication known as "The Students Outpost." (u)

A further confidential source revealed that Norman Bursler received Communist papers and that as late as August, 1938, these papers came to 2511 Herst Avenue, Berkeley, California, addressed to Norman Bursler. (u)

Also from a confidential source it has been ascertained that a letter written by Mayer Baylis, a Communist Party functionary in the Los Angeles area, to Louis Schneiderman, a Communist Party functionary, dated September 23, 1928, spoke of the activities of the members of the Young Communist League and the fact that no League existed in Berkeley, California. The writer also complained that he was forced to do the work of others and stated, "I find a similar (u)

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**RELATIONSHIP OF BURSILER WITH SUBJECTS
IN THE SILVERMASTER INVESTIGATION**

In a personal history statement executed in Bursler's own handwriting for the Antitrust Division of the Department of Justice, Bursler set out that the person to be notified in case of emergency was Dr. Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, who he identified as a "friend." Bursler also listed Dr. Gregory Silvermaster, Farm Security Administration, Washington, D. C., as one of his references in his application for employment with the Department of Justice.

Norman Bursler was apprised of the allegations made concerning his Communist affiliation and in a five page memorandum to Mr. Thurman Arnold, dated November 30, 1938, gave a general biographical sketch of himself in answer to these allegations. A pertinent portion of this memorandum is, "Here, however, I should like to deal with the few clues which you were good enough to give me concerning these allegations. You asked me to tell you where I was on November 7 (election day) 1936. I was in Washington. I worked all day long at the Consumers Project, Department of Labor, with offices in the Keith-Albee Building, 15th and G Streets, Northwest. I shared an office with Harry Merzans. After work I went for dinner at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Silvermaster who lived in an apartment at that time at 3217 Connecticut Avenue. Others in the party were Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Silvermaster, Boris Witte, a member of the Russian aristocracy, and William L. Ullmann." It is noted that Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Silvermaster are among the principal subjects in the Soviet espionage investigation and that William L. Ullmann is also one of the principal subjects in this investigation. Boris Witte is Helen Silvermaster's brother. In this same memorandum Bursler pointed out that he had read the "Communist Manifesto" as requested reading in his political science class at the University of California and that he had attended lectures and forums by various radical groups in the Bay City.

In a letter dated December 3, 1938, from Gregory Silvermaster, Dealer Economist, Maritime Labor Board, to Mr. Thurman Arnold, Silvermaster advised that he had known Norman Bursler since 1932 and that since 1935 he had had the opportunity of knowing Bursler more intimately as Bursler had been a frequent visitor at his home.

It has been ascertained that Norman Bursler has been a member of several search teams sent to the European Theater investigating German cartels and among his reports submitted to the Department of Justice is a confidential

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interim report dated September 18, 1943, on the "Iron and Steel Industry: Activities of European Cartel Members in south America." It is pointed out that Gregory advised that included in the information turned over by the Silvermasters in 1944 were reports on German cartels which Helen Silvermaster admitted had come from Norman Bursler.

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